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## WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT DR. PAMELA FOX

*Mary Baldwin College will be nationally recognized as a leader in providing personalized, transforming liberal education.*

This is the vision of Composing Our Future, our 10-year strategic plan. We have been moving at a brisk tempo. How have we advanced our vision of national prominence — a vision so harmonious with the historic mission of Mary Baldwin, so consonant with national trends in higher education, and vital to preparing leaders for the 21st century? I would like to share a slice of our progress by highlighting two significant initiatives: *LEAP* and our enrollment management consultancy with Noel Levitz.

Mary Baldwin College has accepted an invitation to become a charter campus partner in the new 10-year initiative of the American Association of Colleges and Universities: *Liberal Education and America's Promise (LEAP)*. With our dean and other members of our faculty and leadership team, I attended the annual AAC&U meeting to represent Mary Baldwin's historic commitment to liberal education as part of this national initiative. Our participation was made possible by the Claire "Yum" Lewis Arnold and H. Ross Arnold III 2014 Innovation Fund, created and funded by our Board of Trustees in 2004.

*LEAP* will champion the value of a liberal education for individual students and for a nation dependent upon economic creativity and democratic

vitality. As a charter campus in the initiative, Mary Baldwin is participating in this nationwide campaign of advocacy for the value of a liberal education by sharing our innovative programs embodied in the Mary Baldwin College Advantage. And we will engage in national forums with business leaders, K-12 educators, government leaders, and funding agencies. I am delighted that Mary Baldwin College will assume a prominent, deserved place as a charter campus in promoting liberal education nationally.

In this issue, Professor James Harrington eloquently discusses the vital imperative of liberal education — its historical wisdom and renewed vitality to prepare a 21st century citizenry of global leaders.

We are also working to ensure a national recruiting presence for Mary Baldwin College through our consultancy with Noel Levitz, the preeminent enrollment management firm for higher education in America. The team of highly qualified consultants began visiting campus in October and will continue for the next three years as we aspire to create national visibility and recruitment draw. We will achieve this success by increasing the pool of prospective students, raising the SAT score requirements for our applicants, seeking the best "fit" of students with

Mary Baldwin, and by enlarging our geographic reach.

We also hope to increase the number of inquiries, applications, and yield. A new recruitment brochure for high school juniors has been created and mailed by our staff, and a new admissions Web site has been launched through the national firm of James Tower/Connexia ([www.admissions.mbc.edu](http://www.admissions.mbc.edu)). Key to improving our recruiting and retention efforts is the most judicious and targeted use of financial aid. We have been systematically analyzing our past financial aid practices and formulating new scenarios to effectively balance merit and need.

As we move forward with initiatives to realize our vision of national prominence, we are also beginning our campus master planning process to ensure that every dollar spent improving the physical campus supports the strategic plan. We want to utilize existing space to maximum potential, and delineate a long-term plan for reallocation, renovation, and expansion of our facilities. We will be inviting your dialogue and sharing much more about this important process as we proceed.

Please keep in touch. Join us in the continuing advance of Mary Baldwin College. It is an exciting time as we *Compose Our Future*. ▲



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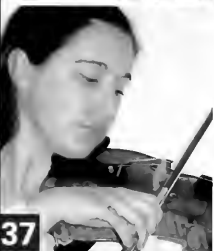
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# MBC in the News: 2004-2005

## MBC Educators Earn National Awards

Sarah Kennedy, Mary Baldwin College associate professor of English, and Lisa Bowman, MBC graduate and fourth-grade teacher, celebrated this fall after receiving prestigious national awards rewarding their creativity.

Kennedy was selected for a \$20,000 fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts and a \$5,000 grant from the Virginia Commission for the Arts, both awarded within weeks of publishing her fourth collection of poems, *Consider the Lilies*. She is using the funds to travel in Europe – specifically Wales, England, and Ireland – to gain cultural and physical context for the historical poems she is working on.



Sarah Kennedy

Bowman, a 1993 graduate of the college's Adult Degree Program, was caught by surprise when she was selected as one of two teachers in the nation to receive a \$25,000 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. Called the "Oscar of Teaching" by *Teacher Magazine*, selection for the Milken awards is intentionally secretive and not even Bowman's colleagues knew she was being considered. She feels that the payoff has already come in recognition for her school and the teaching profession. ▲



Lisa Bowman

## Investing 13,000 Hours Annually

People at Mary Baldwin College are gaining momentum toward one of the goals of the strategic plan, which is also an historic tradition at MBC – reaching out through community service.

Community service is included explicitly in the new Mary Baldwin College Advantage – a series of 10 experiences that lead students to personal transformation. It also helps create community connections, mentors and internships, and joint activities that are the foundation of several initiatives in our strategic plan, *Composing Our Future*.

"It's easy to become secluded on campus, but it's rewarding to reach out," said Kamala Payne '05, while she and other members of the Student Government Association executive committee planted an apple tree on campus on Apple Day.

All members of the executive committee signed a pledge to complete at least four hours of community service

each month during the academic year. They challenged every student, professor, and staff member to do the same. To keep community service high on the Mary Baldwin agenda, representatives from organizations such as Staunton's homeless shelter, the local chapter of

Red Cross,

Staunton-Augusta Arts Center, and a Lexington shelter for abused women were invited to campus to share personal stories of involvement and suggest ways the college can contribute.

In coming years, community service learning may be the focus of one of the college's new living/learning communities. A group of 12 to 15 students – chosen from applications – will live together, attend some classes relevant to community service, host at least one campus program, and participate in com-

munity projects. Other MBC students would be invited to take part in the programs and community work. The intention of a learning community is to



## READING DOES A MIND GOOD:

Marcy Sims '68, Virginia Beach Public Library director, earned an Award of Excellence in the Humanities from Virginia Foundation for the Humanities.

## DINING WITH DONORS:

Several of the college's scholarship donors visited campus to see 250 financial aid awards presented to 200 students at the annual Hot Chocolate Social.

## SOUTHSIDE SOIREE:

MBC's newest regional center for adult degree studies in South Boston, Virginia, celebrated its grand opening.

encourage students to make connections between their work in the classroom and in the world.

A report compiled last year by the college's Community Service and Service Learning Task Force estimated that MBC students, faculty, and staff participate in nearly 13,000 hours of community service annually. Community service and citizenship have long been part of an MBC education. Some Introduction to College courses require freshmen to volunteer several hours, and campus chapters of service organizations such as Circle K and Habitat for Humanity are strong. Many professors include service activities in their classes.

*Composing our Future* puts renewed emphasis on two areas of the community service initiative: encouraging every student to participate in meaningful service as part of her Mary Baldwin College education, and creating a central office or contact center to coordinate community service campus-wide. The center would organize the process — fielding calls from interested organizations seeking volunteers, tracking service hours, handling promotion and fundraising to support community service, and ensuring that groups do not duplicate efforts — but its creation depends on receiving funding.

"A lot of times, community service goes beyond the good feeling you get from being benevolent," said Nebula Li '07, a member of the campus chapter of Circle K. "You really see results." ▲

### Inspired Scientists Visit MBC 1992-2005 . . . and Beyond

As one-half of the college's two-woman biology department for most of her tenure, Mary E. Humphreys taught biology, botany, and genetics.

She provided a role model for her female students working toward careers in the sciences. Humphreys earned her bachelor's degree from Western Maryland College and her master's and doctorate from Duke University. She received grants for post-doctoral studies from the National Science Foundation and from MBC while a professor here. Humphreys also participated in Mary Baldwin's first international faculty exchange, teaching at Isabella Thoburn College in India in 1964-65. During World War II, she led an MBC student group, Victory Corps, which coordinated student volunteer efforts such as the sale of war bonds, collecting supplies, and blood donations. Humphreys is now professor emerita of biology having served on the faculty from 1943 to 1968. In 1992 friends and former students established the Mary E. Humphreys Biology Lecture Series in her honor.

This lecture series brings prominent scientists to campus to interact with students, faculty, and staff, and talk about their work. It provides rich learning opportunities for our academic community.

### PARSONS DELIVERS NEWS ABOUT BREAST CANCER RESEARCH

The most recent Humphreys lecturer was Sarah Parsons, professor of microbiology at the University of Virginia. A research scientist and member of the editorial board for *Frontiers in Bioscience*, Parsons is currently involved in studies with the National Cancer Institute. She serves as the associate



director of the Cancer Center for the University of Virginia Health System and for decades has studied tumor progression, particularly in breast and prostate cancer. Parsons' presentation at MBC was "Basic Research Strategies in the Development of Novel Breast Cancer Therapies".

### MARY E. HUMPHREYS BIOLOGY LECTURE SERIES

- 2004 Paul Cabe, geneticist and evolutionary biologist who specializes in the study of the spread of European starlings in America
- 2003 Lincoln Pierson Brower, authority on the monarch butterfly and research professor of biology at Sweet Briar College
- 2002 Dr. Scherer Sanders, associate professor of medicine at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, division of pulmonary and critical care medicine
- 2001 Dr. Nancy Davidson, director of the Breast Cancer Program at Johns Hopkins Oncology Center
- 2000 Dr. Francis Collins, director of the National Human Genetics Research Institute, which led the project to map an entire human genome
- 1999 Dr. Holmes Morton, a "country doctor" who used genetics research to define diseases in Amish children in Pennsylvania as co-founder and director of the Clinic for Special Children
- 1998 Dr. John Horner, paleontologist dubbed the "dinosaur hunter" and curator at Montana State University's Museum of the Rockies
- 1997 Dr. Sheila Galloway, senior director of genetic and cellular toxicology at Merck Research Laboratories
- 1996 Sara Nicholas, director of the Wetlands and Private Lands Initiative at the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- 1995 Dr. Charles "Stormy" Atkins Mayo III, marine biologist specializing in study of endangered whales and co-founder of the Center for Coastal Studies
- 1994 Mary Murrin Painter '71, founder of the Virginia Native Plant Society
- 1993 Bill Akers, president of the Virginia Society of Ornithology
- 1992 Dr. Lois Lundie Spence '68, Marine education specialist at the University of North Carolina Sea Grant College Program, North Carolina State University ▲

### RUSSELLING UP RESEARCH:

Senior PEG student Roxanne Russell will use her coveted Fulbright Scholarship to live in Japan for a year and study Japanese attitudes about suicide. Full story, next issue.

### TWENTY YEARS YOUNG:

MBC's second-oldest regional center for adult studies welcomed many of its 575 alumnae (and 290 current students) to the Roanoke Higher Education Center to celebrate two decades of success.

### RATE THE DEBATE:

Dozens of students and community members participated in MBC's first Debate Watch and critique the final presidential debate prior to the November election.



## Proud to Share Our Diverse Traditions



The smiling faces of young girls cradling small African American and Hispanic dolls – Students spinning a dreidl and lighting a menorah with children from the community – A crowd gathered around a student spinning a tale in the tradition of Caribbean Ananci storytelling. These are some unforgettable images from the culturally diverse winter celebrations at Mary Baldwin College.

The college's Office of African American and Multicultural Affairs continued its popular holiday tradition of collecting and distributing *Latina* and *black* baby dolls to local children of color. The project, which encourages self-esteem in both the participants and the recipients, was a coordinated effort of many student groups on campus. Dolls were purchased, donated, and collected by students in the Ida B. Wells Society, Umoja House, Kuumba Players, Black Student Alliance, Caribbean Student Association, Latinas Unidas, and the Sigma Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., according to Rev. Andrea Cornett-Scott, dean of the office.

Cornett-Scott was also instrumental in reviving a holiday celebration, called *Las Posadas* (seeking shelter). The traditional Mexican re-enactment of Mary and Joseph's search for shelter for the birth of Jesus had been absent from Mary Baldwin for a few years. Students, faculty, staff, and community residents followed a path of luminarias from building to building on campus, learning about holiday activities from a different area of the world at each stop. Cornett-Scott is already planning next year's *Las Posadas* events, and she hopes to incorporate Islamic Ramadan, Chinese New Year, Christmas in Greece, and other cultural celebrations in the future.

Herstory 101: Untangling Our Roots provided the theme for MBC's Black History Month events. The month featured a one-woman show, "Race is Not a One-Day Thing," by Awele Makeba, an internationally known writer and actor. Other events included an oratorical contest in which local children recited speeches and passages by influential African Americans, and the annual gospel music extravaganza headlined by the college's mesmerizing Anointed Voices of Praise. ▲

### Honored Visitors Educate

Mary Baldwin College welcomed numerous distinguished guests to campus this academic year. Some came as part of annual speaker programs sponsored by the generous contributions of donors; others were personally invited by faculty and students at Mary Baldwin.

#### PHI BETA KAPPA VISITING SCHOLAR

Thomas Childers, a history professor at the University of Pennsylvania, delivered a talk on "The Crisis of Democracy and the Rise of Hitler: Elections, Campaigning, and Mass Politics" as part of the Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar series. Childers is the author of *The Nazi Voter and Reevaluating the Third Reich*. In addition, he has completed the first two volumes of a trilogy on World War II, *Wings of Morning: The Story of the Last American Bomber Shot Down Over Germany in World War II* and *In the Shadows of War*.

#### SMYTH LEADERSHIP LECTURE, AND SMYTH BUSINESS FORUM

Alumnae Judy Galloway '69, president and a principal of The Young Group – a New York City-based marketing company that focuses on beauty, health and home – and Susan Timmons '64, president and CEO of Lead Virginia, were featured speakers in each of the Smyth lecture series. Galloway, also a professor of market research for the master's degree program in cosmetics & fragrance marketing and management, Fashion Institute of Technology, delivered the Smyth Leadership Lecture, "Seeing the Future and Your Place in It." Timmons' presentation, "A Career Journey: Building Bridges," was the keynote address for the Smyth Business Forum.

#### EXTRA! EXTRA!

Mary Baldwin College students and faculty members joined hundreds of others at a casting call in Lexington, Virginia, to try out for Steven Spielberg's upcoming movie *War of the Worlds*. M.Litt. student Rob Taylor got a callback!

#### INAUGURATION INFILTRATION:

Several MBC students attended President Bush's inauguration ceremony and gala. The college's director of security worked on the security staff for the parade in Washington, DC.

#### SQUIRREL SCOUTS:

MBC basketball players rounded up, drilled, sprinted, and shot lay-ups, foul shots, and jumpers for local Girl Scouts who participated in the "Every Girl, Everywhere" basketball clinic, held for the first time at MBC.

## DOENGES VISITING SCHOLAR

Poet Arthur Sze delivered a public lecture and taught a May Term course on the poetic image as the 2004-05 Elizabeth Kirkpatrick Doenges Visiting Scholar. Sze is a second-generation Chinese American and the author has published eight volumes of poetry, including original work and translations of Chinese, Italian, and Turkish poems. Sze is also the recipient of several prestigious poetry awards including a Western State Book Award for Translation, a John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship, and an American Book Award.



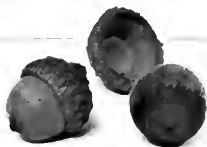
## BY INVITATION FROM MBC FACULTY AND STUDENTS

Professor of History Gordon Bowen invited Eliot Brenner, former journalist with United Press International and speechwriter for Dick Cheney and Robert Rubin. Brenner currently serves as director of public affairs for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He covered the assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan, the Iranian hostage rescue mission, and the first Gulf War, among other events as a reporter for UPI. He also co-authored *Desert Storm: The Weapons of War*.

As a high school student, John Stokes participated in a historic school strike to protest unequal conditions in the African-American schools of Prince Edward County, Virginia. The school boycott led to *Davis vs. County*

*School Board*, one of the five cases included in *Brown vs. Board of Education*. Stokes, a former teacher and principal, has been speaking at high schools and colleges — primarily in Virginia — since 1997. Mr. Stokes visited the college at the invitation of Amy Tillerson, instructor of history.

Haitham Rashid Wihaib, former head of protocol for Saddam Hussein, gave a public talk about life as an Iraqi under Hussein's reign and how Iraqi life has changed since Hussein's capture. He was invited by the campus chapter of College Republicans. As head of protocol between 1980 and 1993, Wihaib was among a select few who had regular contact with Hussein. His duties included arranging Hussein's appointments, daily meetings with him, and opening and delivering Hussein's personal mail. ▲



## faculty/staff acorns

**Katherine Brown**, adjunct professor of history and art, co-authored a recently published book, *Virginia's Cattle Story: The First Four Centuries*. Copies autographed by Virginia Governor Mark Warner and Congressman Bob Goodlatte, R-VA, were auctioned to raise more than \$20,000 for charity.

**Jeffrey Buller**, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college, presented seven pre-performance lectures at the International Wagner Festival in Germany. Buller also contributed articles about opera to *Opera Quarterly* and the *2004/2005 Season Companion of the Chicago Lyric Opera*. He also presented a paper on Mozart to the Classical Association of the Middle West and South and gave a presentation at the Smithsonian Institute.

**Crista Cabe**, associate vice president for communication, marketing, and public affairs, was elected president of the College Communicators Association of Virginia and the District of Columbia

Associate Professor of Anthropology and Spanish **Carrie Douglass'** book, *Barren State: The Population Implosion in Europe*, was published and is available for purchase.

**Michael Gentry**, associate professor of mathematics, served as a judge for the mathematics and statistics section of the Virginia Junior Academy of Science.

**Lynne Mackey**, adjunct assistant professor of music, played solo gigs with the Lynchburg Symphony. She also performed Beethoven's *Emperor Concerto* with the Fredericksburg & University of Mary Washington Orchestra.

**Daniel Métraux**, professor of Asian studies, and his former student and advisee, **Lin Lin Aung '03**, edited a book, *Burma's Modern Tragedy*. The book, a collection of essays about the country's crisis under a military dictatorship, written by Burmese scholars and foreign students interested in Burma's culture. Aung is a graduate student at the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University.



**Pamela Murray**, professor of education at the MBC regional center in Roanoke, was selected as the president of the Association for Continuing Higher Education, an international organization.

**Todd Ristau**, assistant professor of theatre, performed at the 2004 Piccolo Spoleto Festival with several other actors from No Shame — an amateur, no-holds-barred theatre he co-founded in 1986. New No Shame chapters opened under Ristau's guidance in 2004 in Staunton, St. Louis, and Newport News, Virginia.

**Carey Usher**, assistant professor of sociology, authored two entries for the Health and Medicine section of the *Encyclopedia of Sociology*, to be published in 2006.

**The team of Communication, Marketing, and Public Affairs** earned two awards from the non-profit Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). The team earned a special merit award for the plan to communicate the college's new strategic plan, including the full-color *Composing Our Future* brochure and other mailings. A special merit recognition was also awarded for the Mad Hatter Tea Party invitation (Spring Fling).



## WHAT'S IN YOUR SHOE BOX?

Digital images of a sculpture of 500 shoe boxes made for a unique show in Hunt Gallery by Virginia artist Craig Fleasants.

## ACADEMIC ACCOLADES:

Top students were recognized at the college's annual Honors Convocation for being on the dean's list and honors list, members of Phi Beta Kappa, listed in *Who's Who Among Students at American Colleges and Universities*, and other noteworthy accomplishments.

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IN THE MIDDLE OF THE  
*Martha Grafton* 1908-2005

# EXTRA

Students Declare Martha Grafton Day



Who's in Charge Here?  
An Unassuming Realist

THIS GRAFTON DAY!



PHOTOS FROM COLLEGE ARCHIVES. COLLAGE BY GRETCHEN NEWMAN





LIKE THE LIBRARY that is the academic heart of the college and bears her name, Mary Baldwin College Dean and Professor Emerita of Sociology Martha Stackhouse Grafton was the institution's heart and soul for 40 years. Although she retired more than 30 years ago, her influence and presence are felt here today. Martha Grafton died February 8, 2005 with two of her daughters by her side. She was 96 years old.

Born in South Carolina in 1908, Mrs. Grafton earned her undergraduate degree from Agnes Scott College. Just shy of her 22nd birthday, she started work at Mary Baldwin as assistant dean and instructor of history. Named dean of the college in 1938, Mrs. Grafton served as assistant to the president through the difficult years of World War II and stood in as acting president four times. She remained on the administrative staff until 1970. She earned a master's degree in history from Northwestern University and was awarded an honorary doctorate from Mary Baldwin College in 1989.

The Grafton name is associated with an important college award: The graduating senior with the highest grade point average is given the Martha S. Grafton Award. Alumnae are inducted into the Grafton Society – named for Dr. and Mrs. Grafton – when they reach their 50th reunion.

Mrs. Grafton was uncompromisingly dedicated to education. She also served as president of the Association of Virginia Colleges, president of the Southern Association of Colleges for Women, chair of the Conference of Academic Deans of the Southern States, and was a member of Staunton City School Board for 14 years. After her retirement, she spent several years on the college's Advisory Board of Visitors.

"How can you have a college without books?

'At Mary Baldwin, presidents came and went, but for half a century it was Dean Grafton who gave the college continuity and stability. Today, hundreds of women in this country and abroad may look to her as a primary source of the values and standards that guide their lives.'

You can't," said Professor Emeritus of Music Gordon Page, a close friend of Mrs. Grafton. "How could we have Mary Baldwin College without Martha Grafton? We couldn't."

"Her legacy is the college, as simple and as profound as that is," Page added. Like almost everyone Martha Grafton met, she made an indelible impression on him during the more than two decades they worked together. During that time, she started the longstanding college tradition of singing *A Hymn to Mary Baldwin*, written by Page, at Commencement and other significant events.

The following excerpt from a 1969 issue of the student newspaper *Campus Comments* further illustrates Mrs. Grafton's unfailing humility:

*When the Trustees, ready to tell her their choice of name [for the college library], called upon her in the late afternoon of April 18, 1968, Dean Grafton faced the*

*group and said "What have I done? Do you want to fire me?"*

"She grew up with this College. The changes that Mary Baldwin went through in which she played a part are mind-boggling," said Ethel Smeak '53, professor emerita of English.

Mrs. Grafton likewise inspired awe in Dr. Samuel Spencer Jr., who served as MBC president for several years during her tenure: "Martha Grafton was one of those exceptional women's college deans in the era when only men were considered able to serve as college presidents. At Mary Baldwin, presidents came and went, but for half a century it was Dean Grafton who gave the college continuity and stability. Today, hundreds of women in this country and abroad may look to her as a primary source of the values and standards that guide their lives." ▲



# THINGS CHANGE

## A Case for Liberal Education

By James Harrington  
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*"New-Fist was a brilliant educator and thinker of prehistoric times. He watched the children of his tribe playing with bones, sticks and brightly colored pebbles, and he speculated on what these youngsters might learn that would help the tribe derive more food, shelter, clothing, security, and, in short, a better life.*

*Eventually, he determined that in order to obtain food and shelter, the people of his tribe must learn to fish with their bare hands and to club and skin little woolly horses; and in order to live in safety, they must learn to drive away the saber-tooth tigers with fire. So New-Fist developed the first curriculum. It consisted of three basic subjects: (1) Fish-Grabbing-with-the-Bare-Hands, (2) Woolly-Horse-Clubbing, and (3) Saber-Tooth-Tiger-Scaring-with-Fire."*

— *The Saber-Tooth Curriculum* by Harold Benjamin

Even if you are not familiar with Benjamin's parable, you probably have guessed that New-Fist's curriculum enjoyed only temporary success because changing conditions ultimately altered the ecological and political realities of the tribe and made these subjects obsolete. Yet, long after it became obvious to many that the tribe's curricular approach needed to change — to take into account the disappearance of the woolly horses and saber-tooth tigers, and the arrival of swift antelopes and ferocious glacial bears — the tribal elders continued to resist change.

Ultimately, the new thinkers prevailed, as they usually do. But their struggle illustrates some truths about a liberal education and sheds light on the difficulties we sometimes experience when justifying the study of abstractions in a world which increasingly values immediate and concrete application of learning. We often hear about education focused on specialization. We, who believe in a broader education process, must make a case for the value of a liberal education.

One such truth is that learning which is rooted in the circumstances of a particular

place and time — specialized learning — may be adequate to address the challenges of that setting. But if material factors change, and if no provision has been made for responding to that change, then the learning will become useless. Another truth is that educational philosophers generally embark on their curricular ruminations with a mental picture of what a product of the curriculum would look like, think like, act like. A business manager (engineer, doctor, etc.) needs to know how to do certain things and the purpose of education is to impart these things.

It is precisely in this area that the aims of a liberal education are the most comprehensive, ambitious, and indispensable. A liberal education strives to do no less than prepare its recipients to operate as persons who are fully free, with, as we say at each Mary Baldwin College Commencement, "all of the rights, privileges, and responsibilities" befitting free persons. This is a lofty objective. It requires scope and patience, whimsy and discipline, hard work and imagination.

What sorts of attitudes, skills, and abilities comprise the "mental equipment" of the liberally educated person? Classical

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# "I read Shakespeare and the Bible. That's what I call a liberal

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## What Is That, Exactly?

I have been asked over the past few months what, exactly, is a "personalized, transforming liberal education"? I know many of you have experienced this first-hand at Mary Baldwin College. I think it means the education and preparation of the whole person, one-by-one, individual by individual, which makes it personalized, and transforms Mary Baldwin students through a holistic process that integrates academic learning and student development.

Transformative education places the student's reflective processes at the core of the learning experience. The idea of transformative learning reinforces the root meaning of liberal education itself—freeing oneself from the constraints of a lack of knowledge. Transformative learning always occurs in the active context of students' lives; construction of knowledge; construction of meaning; and construction of self in society.

From Dr. Pamela Fox,  
president of Mary Baldwin College

and medieval scholars thought in terms of *The Seven Liberal Arts*, also known as the *trivium* (grammar, rhetoric, and logic) and the *quadrivium* (arithmetic, geometry, astronomy, and music.) These categories have retained their currency through the centuries because they offer a meaningful structure for, as Mortimer Adler puts it, developing "the faculties of the human mind, those powers of intelligence and imagination without which no intellectual work can be accomplished." Reading and writing with power and discernment, listening and speaking with intelligence and judgment, and reasoning with clarity and validity: these are the aims of the *trivium*. The *quadrivium* extends our understandings into the realm of science, concerning itself with the critical arts of observation, measurement, calculation, and proportion.

An education rooted in such principles is, by its nature, portable and perennial. It proceeds from the broadest conceptualizations and it focuses on skills which empower the student to take part in cultural transaction and discourse at the highest level. It serves as a framework within which the individual may continue to grow, adapt, and transform. It provides tools for the journey such as:

**1. A habit of inquiry.** The courage to ask questions and to follow the answers wherever they may lead; to question what you see and to wonder about what you cannot see.

**2. A sense of context.** A recognition that events have antecedents and contributing causes, and that historical, sociological, religious, economic, psychological, and philosophical factors often play a role in seemingly mundane affairs.

**3. A spirit of experimentalism.** A willingness to try solutions, to evaluate their success, and to discard them in favor of the better idea when appropriate.

**4. A healthy distrust of one right answer.** A certain benign skepticism toward formulations which seem too facile, too hasty.

**5. Comfort in the company of genius and folly.** The capacity to learn from women and men of extraordinary ability or profound failure (and sometimes both at the same time), whether encountered in literature or in person.

**6. A framework for making and defending ethical judgments.** The discipline of operating according to a conscious and consistent set of standards.

**7. Tools for understanding and expressing aesthetic preferences.** The ability to critically identify and appreciate qualities of beauty and grace in human creative endeavor.

and I can shoot dice.  
education."

—Tallulah Bankhead,  
renown film star and stage actress in the 1930s and 40s,  
who attended Mary Baldwin Seminary in 1913 with her sister Eugenia.

#### 8. Versatility and resourcefulness.

The willingness to face change with confidence in one's ability to apply proven concepts and master new variables.

9. Language skills. A mastery of language sufficient for the examination and expression of complex ideas.

10. Humility. An inclination to avoid becoming too impressed with the grandeur of one's own ideas and accomplishments.

This is by no means an exhaustive list, but it captures the most valuable and memorable elements of my own undergraduate educational experiences and it reflects what we strive to help all of our students accomplish at Mary Baldwin College. Quoting from the college catalog, "At Mary Baldwin we live the liberal arts. The faculty of Mary Baldwin College believes that an education grounded in the liberal arts will:

- develop in students an awareness of the important role played by dialogue in the pursuit of knowledge,

- provide a background needed for enduring intellectual engagement and creative expression,
- prepare students for responsible citizenship both in their own society and among other peoples of the world,
- liberate students from prejudice, intolerance, and ignorance,
- inform the heart, enlighten the conscience, and discipline the intellect."

To fully value these and other such benefits of liberal learning, we are required to take the long view, to remember that education, properly understood, has aims which are different from those which we normally associate with job training. Liberal learning helps us look down the road and provides us tools with which to chart a course through the uncertainties of the future.

These are good tools, indeed. Their value will ripen with age, experience, and increased responsibility. They look beyond the first job we land after college and equip us for the surprises and opportunities of a career and a life well-lived. ▲

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## A Classical Education ... Otherwise Known as a Complete, Guaranteed, Positively Time-Tested Exposure to the Liberal Arts in 30 Minutes or Less"

By Jeffrey Butler, Vice President of Academic Affairs  
and Dean of the College

*This is an excerpt from an entertaining oral presentation created and presented by the Dean of Mary Baldwin College. Those of you attending Homecoming 2005 had the opportunity to enjoy the entire presentation during lunch that weekend.*

*In light of our discussion about a liberal education, Dean Butler supports the value – and fun – of having a classical, i.e. liberal, education.*

One of the most commonly cited maxims in ancient Greece was "Nothing Too Much." That concept was considered to be so important that, in antiquity, it was constantly attributed to Thales of Miletus, who was regarded as one of the Seven Wise Men of the ancient world.

(Thales got his status as one of the seven wise men for saying that everything in the universe is made of water . . . an idea we now know is completely wrong, yet we still go on saying that he was pretty smart anyway. Now, Eratosthenes who figured out the world was round about 2,000 years before Columbus, and actually calculated the circumference of the globe using nothing more than two pointy sticks – somehow Eratosthenes never quite makes the "wise man" cut.)

Anyway, "Nothing Too Much" also appeared on an inscription that was somewhere near the entry to the oracle of Apollo at Delphi, even though no one can ever quite agree just where it was.

Greeks were always saying variations of the same thing, "Moderation is best," "Keep to the Golden Mean," "Know your limits." And we, as good Americans who are justly proud of our classical heritage, every time we hear "Nothing Too Much," we want to run in the opposite direction. We don't believe that *nothing* can be *too* much. We believe that you can't be too thin or too wealthy, that if somebody loves you it's no good unless they love you . . . *all the way*, and that we should Accentuate the Positive, Eliminate the Negative, and Don't Mess with Mr. In-Between. Well, I'm here to tell you that the ancient Greeks were all *about* Mr. In-Between.



SGA members oversee the signing of the honor pledge on Charter Day.

# SGA *at* MBC: *a* POINT *of* HONOR

By Carol Larson

This academic year marks the 75th anniversary of student government and the honor system at Mary Baldwin College. Student Government Association history at this college is replete with students who have taken extraordinary pride in student governance and managed it judiciously, seriously, respectfully.

It was during the first year of the college presidency of Dr. Lewis Wilson Jarman – and one of his chief goals – that a student government and honor system was organized. He brought in Elizabeth Pfohl as dean of women to manage its development. With her young assistant, Martha Stackhouse (later Grafton), the two women guided a student committee in the formation of SGA in Spring 1929.

Dean Pfohl noted that “...we spent many hours discussing the honor system, how it would be really implemented. I have great respect for the integrity of these students who were officers of the association. They

took this more seriously than anything else they did. They were leaders in the college and as such were looked up to with respect by the rest of the student body.”

The first formal meeting of SGA took place September 14, 1929, when students ratified the constitution drafted the previous Spring, and introduced officers, who had been elected in Spring, including President Wilhelmina Eskridge Beard. That marked the first Charter Day. From that time to the present day, all students sign the oath of honor and accept responsibility as members of their student government during Charter Day at the beginning of

each academic year.

The student paper, *Campus Comments*, recorded the first Charter Day as follows: “There was an atmosphere of dignity and a realization of the true meaning of the occasion which made the simple ceremony beautiful. Perhaps the alma mater was never sung with a greater realization of the ideals of love and service and loyalty set forth in it lovely lines.”

That January of 1930, Dr. Jarman reported to the college’s Board of Trustees that the start of the SGA was “the outstanding and possibly, the most far-reaching achievement of the session.”



Victoria TenBroeck

## Fast forward to 2005. Year 75 of SGA.

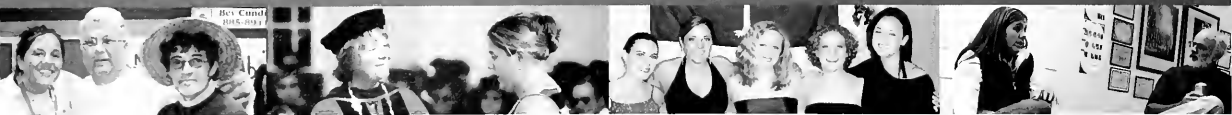
The year of the SGA presidency of Victoria TenBroeck, who will graduate this May. She became involved in student government early, in first grade, in fact. Her parents were active in PTA, and to Vicky, it seemed exciting, even fun, to be involved in governance. “To be honest, as a first grader, it was just really cool to sit with the sixth graders at lunch and meetings,” she remembers. She would go on to earn several leadership awards during high school years, including the Bridgewater Leadership Award, and The College of William and Mary Leadership Award.

When the time came to choose a college, Vicky planned to go to Florida

State University. She had a friend whose sister attended Mary Baldwin and so she also visited MBC. “It was so friendly, and it was clear I wouldn’t be ‘just a number’. I felt I would mature faster here – without the boys around – and classes were smaller and more personal. That weekend I decided to go to Mary Baldwin. It was a good decision,” she says now.

Vicky wasted no time getting involved at MBC. At first she considered the college’s cadet corps, Virginia Women’s Institute for Leadership, but soon decided to invest more time in student government. In her freshmen year, Vicky represented students in





**Busy lady** (l to r) The TenBroeck family at the 2005 Relay for Life, Dr. Fox and Vicky on Charter Day, getting ready for Signature Ball with friends, working with Professor Roderic Owen on during her Apple Day community service project

Spencer III as their Senator, and in her sophomore year, she was senator for Memorial Residence Hall. Junior year she became parliamentarian, but was subsequently elected to fill the open position of vice president of the SGA. As a senior, she made the decision to run and was elected president of the Student Government Association.

"It is a big decision to run for this office. There are sacrifices involved. I'm sure my grades would have been even better if I didn't have an average of 20 meetings every week," she says. She has standing meetings for the Senate, SGA executive council, and STARS (Student Alumnae Relations Society), which she joined in her sophomore year. She also represents the student population as a member of the college board of trustees. She meets regularly with Dean Diane Kent

in Student Life, her thesis advisor Assistant Professor Paul Callo, and even the college president, Dr. Pamela Fox. This SGA president has also made it a goal to attend at least two games in each sport this year, and support club events and activities planned by Baldwin Program Board and other student organizations. Add to all that the numerous and varied presentations she makes on behalf of Mary Baldwin to internal and external organizations.

Vicky is co-leading a revamped, extracurricular program called Women Involved and Seeking Excellence (WISE) – an intensive seven-week, leadership enrichment workshop. Attendees must be nominated for participation. There is little downtime in her hectic schedule. Her cell phone is always on. "You never know when there will be an emergency – like, one time, we were on alert for a flash flood warning," she says.

For this, the 75th anniversary of SGA, her goals for student government – which she started planning during Spring and Summer of 2004 – would be three-fold. She had read previous student surveys about their government and she was determined to show interest in, and support, student activities — to be more visible, and maybe more approachable. If recent surveys are a good indication, she achieved her goals, receiving high marks in those areas.

Another goal – and one she is passionate about – was to advance the community service initiative of MBC's strategic plan. She launched her community service project during Apple Day when her executive council planted an apple tree on campus to announce the call for pledges to do community service. She asked faculty, staff, and students to agree to perform four hours a month of community service. She had about

100 takers (only 10% of whom are faculty or staff). Her own commitment has included volunteer time for many of the on-campus projects SGA launched under her leadership such as an event for tsunami relief, a food drive that resulted in a pizza party for the winning students, and her ongoing work as a mentor for Relay for Life.

Her third major goal was to unite the executive council, which includes eight members: SGA president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, chairs of Honor Council, Judicial Board, Residence Hall Association, and Baldwin Program Board. She led the group through an eight-hour seminar about effective leadership, enlisted their support and commitment to her community service agenda, and found other methods to assure they were all on the same page at the same time to manage student government.

How would Vicky, as the 75th anniversary Student Government Association president, like to be remembered? "I think it would be nice if people remembered – and continued – the community service commitment. And, that I was a personable leader," she says, almost shyly. And what would she say to all students about their life on campus and student government in particular? "Get involved! Ask questions. Don't complain or criticize, if you aren't willing to be involved," Vicky suggests.

The biology major has applied to graduate school. She plans to earn a master's degree in coastal environmental management. When Vicky has also earned her doctorate, she would like to be an independent consultant on environmental policy, possibly for a non-profit organization. Her ultimate dream? "To create a marine science camp for underprivileged kids," she smiles. This dream, from the student government president who believes that "to lead, you must serve others." ▲

\* SGA and honor system history, along with the historical quotes in this piece, were gratefully pulled from by Patricia Menk, published in 1992, and by Mary Watters, published in 1942.







**Q:** *How best to understand something about student leaders at Mary Baldwin College?*

**A:** *Talk to them.*

ONE EVENING IN LATE FEBRUARY, we met some of the 2004-05 student leaders in the relaxed setting of The Nuthouse in Hunt Dining Hall. It was just after elections for 2005-06 leaders, and just before new officers would be installed. This group of student leaders did not require prompting to speak, but engaged readily in conversation. It was clear they had worked together as leaders, as well as individually within the organizations they headed. They are undeniably bright, engaged, committed, and ambitious in a thoughtful way. And more than half of them will be graduating in May. By way of introduction:

- Christina** *Christina Barry*  
Freshman Class President 2004-05  
Major: International Relations  
Double Minors: History and Political Science
- Brittany** *Brittany Bledsoe*  
Sophomore Class President 2004-05  
Major: Business Management, Pre-Law
- Lesley** *Lesley Fondren*  
Junior Class President 2004-05  
Major: Marketing Communication  
Minor: Psychology
- Mei-Mei** *Mei-Ling Fye*  
First Captain, Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership  
Major: Asian Studies  
Double Minors: Music and Leadership Studies  
Also president of Mary Baldwin's chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, national honor society for leadership; and president of VWIL's chapter of Army Aviation Association of America.

- Maria** *Maria Kwon*  
Senior Class President 2004-05  
Double Majors: International Relations and Asian Studies  
Minor: Leadership Studies  
Also president of Alpha Lambda Delta, national honor society for academic excellence of freshmen; president and founder of Asian Student Union; and Physical Training Cadre with MBC's Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership.
- Kam** *Kamala Payne*  
Judicial Board Chair  
Major: Biochemistry  
Double Minors: Psychology and Education  
Also captain of the tennis team
- Vicky** *Victoria TenBroeck*  
Student Government Association President 2004-05  
Major: Biology



Christina



Mei Mei



Leslie



Maria

**Q** *All of you had some experience in leadership roles before college. Why have you chosen to take on leadership roles?*

**Brittany:** I just thought I could do it, and it feels [now] like something I have always been doing.

**Maria:** I like the idea of making a difference and bringing people together.

**Kam:** I think I have always liked being involved, to be in a position to change things. And I want to excel in everything I do.

**Mei-Mei:** I never really wanted to stand out; I was encouraged to try leadership roles. It wasn't something I planned for myself.

**Lesley** (just before she has to leave): My parents encouraged us [she and her siblings] to be mature, to lead ourselves as well as others.

**Christina:** Same thing — I've just always been involved in things like student government. This year, I felt like I was the candidate who really liked the people in my class — I ran for that reason, not because it would look good on my resume or whatever.

**All:** They all register agreement that no one should lead if all they want is a boost to the resume because the sacrifices are too great, and if you don't genuinely care about your constituents and the greater-good, you won't be a good leader.

**Vicky:** I don't think I thought about if I could be a leader. It's just that being involved is exciting.

**Kam:** She [Vicky] won't say this, but she's very creative and has ideas that no one else thinks about.

**Q** *At this point in time, what do you believe makes someone a good leader?*

**Vicky:** It's really important to serve others before yourself.

**Kam:** I agree. And you need to set realistic goals. You can set high goals, but they should be achievable.

**Mei-Mei:** You need to be yourself at all times.

**Christina:** Yes. Not one way in front of a crowd and another way in private. You need to be approachable, too.

**Mei-Mei:** I also think you should make things enjoyable for the people you lead. They have to respect you so that when you asked them to do something they may not understand, they do it because they trust you.

**Brittany:** It's important to do things for the right reasons.

**Maria:** To stand up.

**Kam:** To do what you think is right, even if other people don't agree.

**Vicky:** I also think [leaders] need to be accessible, be involved in as much as they can be.

**Mei-Mei:** I think you have to learn from your mistakes — and admit them.

**Q** *We have a long tradition of developing women as leaders at Mary Baldwin College. How has being a student at MBC helped you become the leader you are now?*

**Brittany:** The all-women environment makes a big difference. We have more opportunity here and maybe more confidence since it's all women.

**Vicky:** Our small size means we know people on campus; it's a sisterhood that you care about.

**Kam:** The diversity has made such a difference in learning about all kinds of people, how they think and why they do what they do. I came from a very small town and this was such a new experience for me at Mary Baldwin.

**Vicky:** The size of our campus [population] means that we have real authority as leaders. Kam and her group [13 members of Judicial Board] have complete ownership of judicial matters.

**Maria:** We all have ownership or authority within the organization we lead.

**Q** *Some of you are minoring in leadership studies, and some of you are taking classes in leadership. All of you have learned skills in leadership having been leaders. How have those skills made a difference in other aspects of your life?*

**Christina:** I'm learning that you really 'put yourself out there' as a leader. I know how it feels to be criticized for things and to be used as a scapegoat for problems.

**Brittany:** Actually, being a leader has helped me with my relationship with my father who is in the military. I didn't really understand why he always had to be so scheduled and organized. Now I understand because I've had to become really organized to manage my schedule. My planner is everything!

**All:** Everyone jumps on the planner 'thing' — big nods all around, knowing looks, some even glance in the direction of their calendars (just to make sure they are close at hand).

**Kam:** I have learned 'balance' so I can get things done. I schedule everything to fit it all in.

**Vicky:** And to make time — even schedule time — just for me. Sometimes you just need to take an hour or two to zone-out, have fun, and not work.

**Christina:** I'm learning how to handle when people talk behind your back or talk about you to other people in a way that's meant to hurt you or bring you down.

**Vicky:** I've learned to find out about all sides of a situation or issue before I decide what I think. And, I've learned that it's frustrating when people who don't participate in things, complain about them.

**Q** *Have you had mentors or guides at Mary Baldwin to help you process your ideas about leadership?*

**Vicky:** Dean Diane Kent has been there for me through my whole presidency and I could talk freely about issues and ideas – especially about things I couldn't discuss with other people because of confidentiality. And Lynn Gilliland [executive director of alumnae activities]. She was the 50th SGA president when she was a student here. She knows what it's like to be in this position.

**Kam:** I have to say that Greg Meek [associate dean of Student Life] has been there for all of us [everyone nods enthusiastic agreement]. He's been great in helping with advice. And, Dean Scott [director of African American and Multicultural Affairs] — she always tells you exactly what she thinks.

**Brittany:** Actually, I would say Kam and Vicky have been mentors. I would say Lynn [Gilliland], too. She really taught me to step up and serve others. And, Dr. Bowen [professor of political science].

**Christina:** I go to Maria [Kwon] and my big sister on campus, Ashlee Short. I also go to Professor Franzen [assistant professor of history] and Dr. Zaro [adjunct instructor of Arabic] for advice.

**Maria:** Dr. [Brenda] Bryant [director of VWIL and acting vice president of enrollment management] is my ideal of what a leader should be. She has been my role model because she sets a good example. Dr. Bowen has mentored me throughout my years at MBC. He's helped me learn to stand up and voice my opinion about things I strongly believe in – even if others do not agree.

**Mei-Mei:** General Bissell [commandant of cadets for VWIL] has helped me a lot with things like everyday management, delegating, organizational politics, even about looking after the people I lead. My father has been a very important mentor, and Lynn [Gilliland]. I have to add that I've gotten great advice from some of the officers at VMI [where she does ROTC work].

**Q** *How do you think you will use your leadership skills in the future?*

**Mei-Mei:** I think I've learned the most when things were toughest or most difficult. I've done things that really make me nervous either because I've never done them before or I didn't think I could do something. Getting through those times, even when you're nervous, gives you confidence. So in the future, when I have to do something that makes me nervous, now I know I can face it.

**Kam:** I know now you have to work from the inside out. For us [Judicial Board] to be respected, we had to be solid as a group first.

**Vicky:** We've all worked really hard to act as one board, one voice, before we go before students or make decisions.

**Q** *What are some of the hard lessons you've faced as leaders?*

**Mei-Mei:** I think you have to make sure you acknowledge good people when they do well, as much as counsel people who are not doing well.

**Vicky:** I guess sometimes I lose patience with people who don't get as much done. Probably because I know how much one person can do.

**All:** They have each found it very hard when they've had to take someone out of a position or seriously discipline someone. And they all agreed they've learned that even though it's hard, it usually benefits others and, maybe, helps the individual they've dismissed or disciplined take stock and move on, even improve.

**Kam:** The buck really does stop with the leader. Even when you haven't personally done something wrong, you have to step up and take the fall for your team.

**Mei-Mei:** Actually, I've had to learn not to take all the blame for things other people do.

**Vicky:** It's been a challenge to learn how to make time for work and play.

**All:** Everyone laughs, and agrees.

**Q** *Most of you will hand off your leadership roles soon and graduate. How are you feeling about that? And what's next for you?*

**Vicky:** Our installation is in March and I'm probably going to cry through the whole thing. It will definitely be a bittersweet experience.

**Kam:** I once had nothing to do one day and at the end of that day I was more tired than usual. But, I think it will feel a little like the weight of the world is lifted off – even though we did not have a single trial this year! It has been good to see things through other people's eyes. It will be good to relax a little. I'm waiting to hear from grad school — I want to be a dentist.

**Mei-Mei:** I'm really happy doing the things I'm doing. I don't really want it to end. I think it's really important to learn to adapt and listen to others who've had experience. As a cadet in VWIL, I will commission and be a 'butter-bar' [2nd lieutenant] starting at Ft. Gordon in Georgia.

**Brittany:** It's hard for me to slow down. When I go home, I'm wired for the first few days. I feel like I have learned to take it all in and I'm ready for what's next. I'm going to continue my studies towards a law degree. I'm planning to work in juvenile law.

**Maria:** I definitely have more self-confidence and I want to apply what I've learned to whatever I do. I've applied for a Fulbright grant to study for a year in Korea, learn the language and attend grad school in international economic policies at American University. ▲

## Student Leaders



Brittany



Vicky



Kam

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# From the Desks of SGA Presidents Past

## Wilhelmina Eskridge Beard '30

When Wilhelmina Eskridge Beard was attending her first classes at Mary Baldwin, she had no idea that in a few years she would become the first president of the first Student Government Association at the college. The first student executive committee was appointed by Dean Pfohl and her assistant, Martha Stackhouse Grafton, and their cooperative efforts produced the first student handbook.

"Momma dearly loved the school," says her son, Dr. Graham Beard. When cleaning out her desk, he found old letters from his mother to his grandmother, recounting Sunday evenings with the president of the college and Flora Stewart, her favorite professor of English literature.

Dr. Beard created the Wilhelmina Eskridge Beard Scholarship in memory of his mother. The award goes to deserving students, particularly those studying drama.

## Josephine (Jodie) Hannah Holt '44

She completed a double major in chemistry and biology, and was elected president of the Student Government Association after three years of involvement. Jodie Holt was a busy senior. She also met the man she would marry as he prepared to go to war as a B-26 pilot stationed in England. "My overall experience of having served on student council was very rewarding," Holt said.

She describes the foundation of SGA as "based on personal honor and individual responsibility." Those values stayed with her as she raised four children and worked as a control chemist for a pharmaceutical company. Years later and after many homes in different states, Holt found her ideal career working with prospective students in admissions at Hollins University.

Now retired in Charlottesville, Virginia, she devotes time to the Alliance of Interfaith Ministries assisting people who have financial difficulties, and she is treasurer of Deep Pockets, her investment club.

## Elizabeth (Betsy) Robinson Harrison '55

Almost 50 years ago, the Korean War was winding down, Elvis Presley made his television debut, and Betsy Robinson was president of the student government at Mary Baldwin. "It was a different world. Completely," Harrison said. It was during her term that SGA first grappled with drinking (alcohol) rules.

Besides her career in student government, Harrison was active in music at the college, earning her degree in vocal performance. After graduation and marriage, Harrison made use of her voice major by helping with church choir. She volunteered with 4-H and other church-related activities. Harrison also worked as a finance officer, secretary, and teacher for home-bound high school students before focusing full time on raising a family.

Harrison continues to create music and also crafts visual art. She and her husband once made hand painted miniatures of Mary Baldwin buildings and structures in historic downtown Staunton. She sold her work to the MBC Alumnae Gift Shop and other stores. You will find some of that work at [www.mbc.edu/alumnae/giftshop](http://www.mbc.edu/alumnae/giftshop)

## Susan Warfield Caples '60

When she first set foot on the Mary Baldwin campus, Susan Warfield Caples '60 was not ready to fill a leadership position. "As a freshman, I didn't have the self-confidence to take on roles like that," she said. Little did Caples know that in her senior year she would be president of the Student Government Association.

She describes the experience as challenging but very gratifying and fulfilling. "The SGA presidency matures you and offers insight into the student body, the college, and oneself," Caples said. After graduation she served in many leadership positions as her kids were growing up, in schools, Cub Scouts, and sports teams. Caples also volunteered for American Cancer Society, United Way and various hospice programs.

No matter what she is doing, Caples has stayed involved with Mary Baldwin. She helped



with various alumnae chapters around the country and has served as president of the Alumnae/i Association. She is a current member of the Mary Baldwin College Board of Trustees and maintains a connection with the SGA. "I admire the current SGA leaders so much," Caples said. "They're a wonderful group of young women."

### Claire (Yum) Lewis Arnold '69

How does a Baldwin woman use her experience as president of SGA to propel her into a successful career in business and community service? Just ask Arnold '69. She describes her leadership experience working beside other student officials and administrators as a significant boost toward executive positions in major corporations – like her tenure with Coca-Cola – and leading her own companies.

She feels that working with college administration helped her interact more easily with corporate executives in the business world. She refers to what she learned at MBC as "tools I've continued to use." Arnold ran a distribution business for 15 years, turning a \$30 million enterprise into one with over \$1.2 billion in sales. She serves on the board of directors of three companies on the New York Stock Exchange, and also runs Leapfrog, an information systems technology service provider. Arnold said that her leadership style, collaborative rather than dictatorial, started to develop at Mary Baldwin.

Her leadership style also comes into play in service to the community. Arnold has served on the MBC Board of Trustees for nearly two decades, five of those years as chairman of the board. "I believe that giving your time and energy when you can, is how you connect with what you care for most," Arnold said.

### Lynn Gilliland '80

The 50th SGA president was determined to "get everyone on the same page." As a senior, Lynn Gilliland had seen communications between administration and students become rocky. "Because I was a good student, I think I had some credibility with administration and faculty. I feel like we did improve communication that year," she said. Gilliland was a student leader before coming to Mary Baldwin, and stepped up her involvement once she got here, first as a freshmen Senator, then president of the sophomore class, several roles as a junior,

and finally, as SGA president.

A high achiever who has never slowed down, she credits her liberal education with opening many career doors. "I've not been specifically trained to do most of the things I've done in my professional life. My grounding in liberal arts has allowed me to go in many directions. My leadership background gave me the courage to try things," she said.

After five years in banking and eleven years in medical practice management, she returned to Mary Baldwin to do something she felt passionate about as executive director of alumnae/i affairs. Gilliland has also spent countless hours mentoring student leaders on campus and is remembered largely for teaching that to lead, you must serve others. "The key is that you have to 'live' it, you can't just memorize the phrase. The year of my SGA presidency was one of the most challenging of my lifetime – and that's saying a lot – but I would do it again because of the insight it gave me about individuals, groups and myself."

### Janaan Hashim '89

She participated in so many activities during her four years at Mary Baldwin, Janaan Hashim '89 can hardly remember them all. Between theatre, sports, and leadership positions in Senate and Campus Activities Association, not to mention organizing road races, Spring Break trips, and a video yearbook, one wonders how Hashim found time to complete a double major (one with honors) and serve as president of Student Government Association.

"Find your niche and allow it to help you grow," Hashim recommends. "Most importantly, enjoy what you do."

Hashim credits her Mary Baldwin education with encouraging the leadership skills she continues to develop. "The open, supportive environment allowed students like me to become leaders when, if we were at larger schools, we might have fallen between the cracks," Hashim said. "I truly believe that MBC's leadership training, formal and informal, always plays a role in my life." ▲

*These expressions from past presidents of the Student Government Association were compiled with information from interviews conducted by Samantha Sprole '06.*



# Gladys:

## By Any Other Name, Just Wouldn't Be Our Squirrel

By Dawn Medley

**SOMEONE OUT THERE MUST KNOW.** A name like Gladys doesn't just fall out of the sky and become a college mascot's moniker overnight.

Was she named after someone's mother, aunt, sister, girlfriend? A famous figure? A saint? A leader? Was there an influential Gladys in Mary Baldwin College's history?

We went looking. Not because we thought knowing where Gladys originated would reveal a great truth about MBC or because it is an absolutely vital piece of college history but, primarily, just to see what we could find, and to have fun. At the beginning of our search we thought we might never find her. Bill Pollard, the college archivist who is rarely stumped by obscure trivia about Mary Baldwin College, just shook his head and smiled. "I can't say I haven't been asked that before. I haven't been able to find out," he said, a hint of humor in his voice, as if he really wanted to add, "Ask me something I can answer."

Pollard has helped enlighten many inquisitive minds about when and why Mary Baldwin started using the squirrel as its mascot. The squirrel is a prominent feature in the Baldwin family coat of arms. This may be why the furry friend was integrated into the official college seal in 1929, and later, adopted by the college's sports teams.

Pollard wasn't ready to throw in the towel on Gladys, though. He suggested talking to another guardian of institutional history who was a bit closer to the subject – Betty Kegley, professor emerita of physical education and health, who has long been associated with the athletic department.

"When I came to Mary Baldwin there was no mascot," said Kegley, who worked at the college from 1960 to 1998. "I remember the squirrel becoming our

mascot sometime in the 1970s, and I think that she might have earned her name in the 1980s or 90s."

Kegley brought Mary Ann Kasselmann, athletic director at Mary Baldwin College in the 1980s and 1990s, into the discussion. The women tossed around a few hypotheses, but nothing stood out as a clear answer. Kegley suggested we talk to Nancy Poole McIntyre, a former fundraiser at the college who regularly wore the squirrel costume to donor and alumnae/i events during her tenure from 1990 to 1998.

In the meantime, we wondered what the current athletic director, Donna Miller, knew about the unusual name. After all, she is probably the one who hears and uses it the most these days.

"Nobody that I've talked to knows where it came from, but a lot of people ask," Miller chuckled. "I'm tired of not having the answer to that question. I'm sure a lot of people will be happy to know when you find out!"

The search temporarily stalled. Then McIntyre, who now works at the Darden Graduate School of Business at the University of Virginia led us to Anne Holland '88, senior director of alumnae/i projects at MBC. Another conversation with Kegley reinforced the suggestion to talk to Holland – who has worked at the college since 1989 – and she did not disappoint. She had another lead for us to follow.

Ken Armstrong was the one who knew the story behind Gladys, Holland assured us.

A few messages and a few weeks later, Armstrong laid out the humorous, little-known story. While he worked at the college between 1981 and 1987 – first as assistant to the president and later as vice

president for institutional advancement – Armstrong lived in the campus' Little House (associated with Rose Terrace, please see story on page 22) and often went to student activities, many of which were sports events. It was no secret that,

although he thoroughly enjoyed cheering on the Squirrels, he thought the college needed a more fitting, noble mascot to achieve respect in the athletic arena. Armstrong's colleagues in institutional advancement, communication, and alumnae/i affairs often joked with him and pulled pranks on him in reference to the squirrel, and he laughed along with them.

At a weekly staff meeting of institutional advancement personnel in 1985 or 1986, Jack Burkhalter, director of the Annual Giving, announced a team-building activity called "name that squirrel." Armstrong realized that, although having an opening activity to start the meeting was not unusual, this one intended to further harass him about the college mascot, but he played along.

The winning name, announced after each team member had written one down and passed it to Burkhalter: Gladys! Chosen by Burkhalter purely for its distinctiveness, the name was submitted by John Wells, the director of communication at the time (and no relation to a current faculty member with the same name).

It wasn't Wells' mother's name, or the name of any relation. He wasn't even thinking of anyone famous – although it wouldn't hurt to be associated with legendary singer Gladys Knight.

"I just liked it," Wells explained. "It was the most unorthodox, random name I could think of for a squirrel. I never thought it would be chosen and, when it was, I never thought it would



be heard outside that office."

It was, Wells was later updated about Gladys being used as the "official" name of the mascot by Lee Johnston Foster '75, a former colleague at MBC.

"I was floored," he said. "Naming the squirrel – which I didn't know I was doing in any official capacity at the time – is undoubtedly my most profound legacy at the college."

As it turned out, we learned that a few people at MBC we hadn't talked with at first could have led us to Gladys much quicker, but then . . . we would have lost the joy of the journey.

Foster, who was a student at Mary Baldwin before there was a squirrel or a name for her, is amused that Gladys started out as an inside joke and is now a part of Mary Baldwin College lore.

"It kind of makes you wonder about other parts of the college's folklore, like Ham and Jam, and how they started," she said. *Hmmm . . .* we thought.

Uncovering the mystery of Gladys, we realized any other name wouldn't work. Imagine Amy the Fighting Squirrel, or Beulah, or any one of myriad other common or not-so-common names. None of them would do. We're glad it's Gladys. ▲



## Gladys and the Chocolate Factory

Unbeknownst to us While we were busy "Finding Gladys," others on campus were planning to highlight our favorite squirrel at one of the college's much-anticipated annual events, Spring Fling. For the past few years, themes for the end-of-year party for seniors have been undeniably fun – a toga party and the Mad Hatter Tea Party from *Alice in Wonderland*, for instance. The 2005 celebration continued the history of creative themes with Gladys and the Chocolate Factory.

Drawing on elements of the classic *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, students were enticed to the April 5 event with invitations created by wrapping a chocolate bar in a "Golden Ticket."

The event, sponsored by the Alumnae/i Association Board of Directors, the Office of Alumnae/i Activities, and the Student Alumnae Relations Society (STARS), is a time to congratulate seniors and welcome them as soon-to-be alumnae. ▲







# Rose Terrace

By William Pollard, Mary Baldwin College Archivist

In 1914 W. W. King, business manager of Mary Baldwin Seminary, suggested that the Board of Trustees purchase the house and lot just north of Hill Top Residence Hall. He stated that this would give the school needed space for outdoor activities but that the house on the property would be of little use, except perhaps as faculty housing. Its location was too “exposed” for students, he felt. His recommendation to make the purchase was based on the value of the lot.

That undervalued house is now on the national and state registers of historic places.

The brick Italianate house we know as Rose Terrace was built for Holmes Erwin in 1874. With a belvedere (open, roofed gallery) and glass conservatory on the south side, it was said to be the costliest home in Staunton at the time of its construction.

Some years later Mr. Erwin sold the house to the Bruce family. In 1914 it was bought by Drs. Catlett and Whitmore, and was operated as the Augusta Sanatorium until 1919 when Mary Baldwin Seminary acquired it.

As suggested by Mr. King five years earlier, the house was rented to a faculty member, W. R. Schmidt, professor of music, whose family occupied it for a decade or more.

In 1934 the house was refurbished and became the home of the college’s president, Dr. Wilson Jarman. For the next 12 years, it was the setting for many of the college’s social events. Weather permitting, events took place in the rose garden, and it was probably at this time that the name Rose Terrace was first used.

In 1946 when ill health forced Dr. Jarman to resign, Rose Terrace became a dormitory to meet the needs of an increased student population.

So it was that the next president, Dr. Frank Bell Lewis, and his family lived for four years in a different house rented for them by the college. In 1951, the Lewises moved into Rose Terrace, and Mrs. Bruce Wiggin — widow of Dr. Lewis — remembers how well the house lent itself to gracious entertaining. As official college hostess, she planned freshman receptions, board dinners, faculty suppers, and garden parties for seniors and alumnae.

Following the Lewis administration, Rose Terrace became a dormitory yet again, this time as French House where only French was spoken. It remained such until the mid-1970s, when it

was converted into office space to house the dean of students and her staff. Today it is occupied by the college chaplain, the director of African-American and Multicultural Affairs, the Learning Skills Center, the director of the M.Litt./MFA program, and the

director of Sponsored Programs and Research Development.

Adjacent to Rose Terrace is a small brick building that may have been the kitchen for the big house in its earliest days. It is known as Little House and for years was the home of the Junior Class president. Now it is used for storage.

Mary Baldwin College is applying for a grant to fund restoration of Rose Terrace to its former grandeur. Despite the harsh appraisal by Mr. King, it has for many years proved to be far more valuable than the land on which it stands. ▲



Earliest known photo of Rose Terrace. Taken in front of the Bickle House, now Sky I parking lot.

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Some of the proud alumnae and cadets.

**Kristy Wheeler '01, a former First Captain, now Special Agent in the United States Air Force Office of Special Investigations in Japan.**

"Being present for the 10th anniversary made me proud to be an alumna. Each year, the corps gets better and more diverse. It's good to know that a high level of respect still exists."

**Dr. Brenda Bryant, director of VWIL and acting vice president of enrollment management at MBC**

(from a quote in *Campus Comments*, MBC student newspaper): "Our alumnae are doing exceptional things. Their success will contribute to the visibility and success of the program. I've always imagined someday a VWIL graduate would return and serve as director or commandant. It could happen."

**Brig. Gen. Mike Bissell, commandant of VWIL**  
(from a quote in *Campus Comments*, MBC student newspaper): "I think VWIL has grown and prospered faster than anyone anticipated."



SMA Alumnus Hunter Henry

**Heather Wakefield '06 and VWIL cadet**  
(from a quote in *Campus Comments*, MBC student newspaper):

"VWIL gives female cadets a chance to build their skills in a single sex environment. I found it easier to go to VMI [for ROTC training days] and speak up because of my leadership training from VWIL. The program helps our ladies grow up and take responsibility. We also have to deal with time management — a skill people don't usually get until they are out of college and in their jobs."



Richmond Mayor E. Douglas Wilkerson

**Cynthia H. Tyson, Mary Baldwin College president emerita:**

"I watched the precision and competence of the women who paraded for the anniversary revue, knowing that every class before them had been equally successful. I saw before me the embodiment of self discipline — the primary ingredient of leadership. I saw teamwork, I saw commitment. I felt honored to be one with these women and with all the VWIL women since 1995."

"Out of a complex set of issues — legal, political, and social — we built a superior and exemplary educational program. VWIL is the premier leadership program for women in the nation — an educational program that is weighty and demanding, producing the finest results for the women who pass through it."



At the Military Ball: 1st Captain Trimble Bailey '90; 1st Captain Tamara Schenck '91; 1st Captain Kristy Wheeler '01; Brigadier General Mike Bissell; 1st Captain Jennifer Kukla '04; 1st Captain Mei-Ling Fye '06; 1st Captain Terry Landon '08.

**James Gillman, MBC professor of religion:**

"As a faculty member who was here at the beginning of VWIL, I can honestly say no one knew what the future would hold for the program. Today, it is fulfilling and expanding its mission, and it has helped bring unique recognition to Mary Baldwin College."

**Maj. Gen. John Knapp, superintendent at VMI when VWIL started:**

"Based on the success of the first 10 years, I am confident that VWIL has proved its case and is going to continue to educate "the whole woman." They are going to make enormous contributions to society."





## VWIL by the Numbers

- 135** VWIL Alumnae
- 54** Alumnae who have accepted commissions in U.S. armed forces
- 43** Percentage of female cadets in Virginia programs who are in VWIL (including Virginia Tech and VMI)
- 50** Percentage of female minority cadets in Virginia programs who are in VWIL
- 125** Current cadets in VWIL
- 15** MBC students who are not cadets but are members of the corps' 40-person marching band
- 200+** Opportunities for student leadership at MBC, including those within VWIL
  - 1** Number of all-female cadet corps in the nation: VWIL
  - 6** The time every Friday morning for VWIL formation

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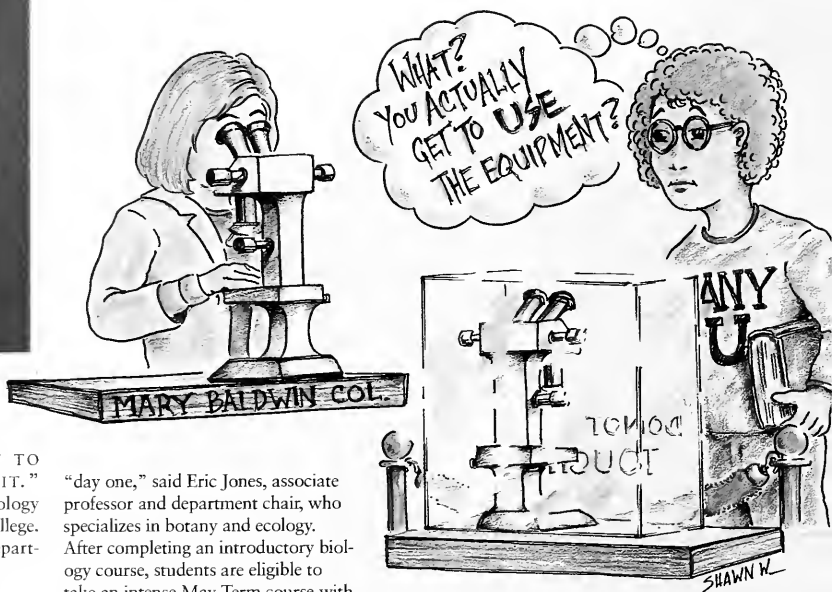
### Picture This!

Don't miss the VWIL Anniversary pages online which include photos from New York City on March 17 and the celebration parade at MBC on March 18. You will find media coverage, program information, biographical material about honored guests and more. [www.mbc.edu/vwil/anniversary](http://www.mbc.edu/vwil/anniversary)

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# Discovery Method Reigns in MBC Biology Studies

By Dawn Madley



"WE BELIEVE THE BEST WAY TO LEARN SCIENCE IS BY DOING IT." So states the first sentence on the biology faculty's Web site at Mary Baldwin College. They don't mince words about the department's philosophy.

Visitors to Pearce Science Center — where biology offices and classrooms are located — will not find rows of gleaming microscopes unmarred by student fingerprints. Instead they will see new equipment scattered among pieces that are affectionately worn and dutifully cared for, so they still function with precision. They will see, not one, but two electron microscopes that — in contrast to many colleges — are not off-limits to students. Once trained, MBC students can access them with the turn of a key. During the Spring semester, observers can also see evidence of student research and lab experiments — self-designed senior projects like Veronica Stokes' spiders spinning webs in the dark next to tanks where Victoria TenBroeck tests sea urchins to see how they respond to different wavelengths of light.

"It's what some people call the 'discovery method,'" said Lundy Pentz, associate professor and division coordinator. "When a student looks at a yards-long double helix strand of DNA that she extracted herself, she realizes the truth in what everyone has told her before about its incredible size. She gets it."

"I bet none of the faculty in this department got into science because they liked listening to lectures," he added to emphasize the hands-on practice of biology at MBC.

Unlike large universities where "lesson" often translates to "lecture," Mary Baldwin biology students are introduced to the college's labs and equipment practically

"day one," said Eric Jones, associate professor and department chair, who specializes in botany and ecology. After completing an introductory biology course, students are eligible to take an intense May Term course with Paul Deeble, assistant professor, to learn to use both the transmission and scanning electron microscopes at MBC. Although not all of Mary Baldwin College's instruments are new, they are up-to-date and there is at least one example of a new model in each lab, said Deeble, who teaches genetics, anatomy, and physiology courses. Faculty are imaginative and inventive, often generating their own lesson plans and labs to best use the available resources.

Sometimes they want to get out of the classroom. The Shenandoah Valley is a perfect place for outdoor biology studies. "There are several academic disciplines where being in Staunton is a great thing; biology is, unquestionably, one of them," Jones explained. Within a 30-mile radius of the college, students can experience a 2,000-foot change in elevation and study plant and animal habitats on both east- and west-facing mountain slopes — ideal conditions for comparing the effects of environmental factors. Field studies at dozens of nearby streams and protected wilderness areas are easily accessible during a typical class period.

Assistant Professor of Biology Paul Callo's courses — ecology, environmental issues, zoology, and ornithology — beg for outdoor instruction, and he is happy to oblige. "This is not a place where we learn through computer simulation; we are out there observing it," he said.

Nina Baxley Rogers '92 graduated long before Callo became joined the

department in 2003, but she still credits outdoor biology classes with sparking her interest in nature writing. Baxley, an English major and biology minor, co-authored the trail guide *50 Hikes in Louisiana: Walks, Hikes, and Backpacks in the Bayou State* in 2004 and is working on other articles for publication. "I'm no longer intimidated by science, and I know that my education at Mary Baldwin gave me confidence and ease to accept the job to write my book and pursue the research it involved."

"I didn't even realize I liked biology until I took a class at MBC," said Baxley, who earned her master's degree in English from Louisiana State University. "If I had stayed at the co-ed institution where I started college, I probably would never have taken more than the minimum science requirements."

Women who study at single-sex colleges are more likely to explore and major in subjects that are not considered traditional for females, such as math and science, according to the National Association for Single Sex Public Education. There were 32 biology majors at MBC in 2004-05; 17 of those are seniors. Students at women's colleges also continue toward doctorates in math, science, and engineering in disproportionately larger numbers than their peers at co-ed schools.

The students' active role in their biology studies begins when they realize professors will delve deeper into a subject or even alter plans if students show interest in exploring a different aspect of a subject. It culminates when they choose and execute their senior research projects. From Annie Hewitt's analysis of cross-resistance in penicillin antibiotics to Sarah Pierce's study of how the thickness of liquid diet drinks affects eating habits of mice, senior thesis topics from 2004-05 reflect students' diverse interests and keep professors on their toes.

Junior biology major Jenny Chen said her experience with equipment, primary sources of information, and developing and testing her own hypotheses gave her a distinct advantage over students from other colleges with whom she attended a workshop at the House of the Future Institute in Los Angeles last summer. "Others, even from larger universities, didn't seem as prepared to do research as I was," she said.

"We produce students who can honestly say they know what it means to do authentic research," Jones said. As an added practical exercise, all students are also required to craft a grant proposal as if they were asking an organization for support for their work, an essential skill in their professional lives.

Anna Henley '02 has no doubt that her biology major and her original research – studying a thumping response in gerbils – influenced her career path. As the Shelter Smart intern at Wisconsin Humane Society in Milwaukee, Henley performs behavior evaluations on dogs, counsels people whose pets have aggression issues, and trains staff and volunteers. She recently earned a master's degree in environmental studies from Friends University in Kansas.

"Creativity was a must," Henley said about the development of her senior project. "The department didn't have all the equipment or facilities to explore animal behavior on a large scale, but with some quick thinking, re-arranging, and the help of the professors, I was able to do an animal behavior study anyway."

"When I talk to people who went to other colleges about the lengths to which my professors went to make sure I succeeded and, most of all, learned something, they think I'm exaggerating," she said. "I'm not." ▲

## Biology Students Get Feet Wet for Creek Research

By Dawn Madley

Staunton's Lewis Creek has long been one of the city's nagging problems, and one of Associate Professor of Biology Lundy Pentz's most practical and effective teaching tools. Pentz recently stepped up his involvement with the polluted waterway, which runs through the city's popular Gypsy Hill Park and the downtown Wharf area, by serving on the Lewis Creek Advisory Committee.

He isn't the only one on campus keeping an eye on the creek. Two senior biology majors, Eric Hurley and Jackie Hensley, worked on projects in 2004-05 that monitored the stream, a practice started by Pentz and his students more than two decades ago.

"We contribute to the long and credible history of service Mary Baldwin has provided the community," said Pentz, who studied the genetics of *Escherichia coli* (E. coli) as part of his doctoral work at The Johns Hopkins University.

State and local officials have long speculated about the source of Lewis Creek's most damaging pollutants. High levels of chlordane likely stem from a pesticide banned in the mid-1980s, hydrocarbons linger from the city's coal-burning days, and fecal bacteria could be a result of leaks in the city's sewer lines or run-off from numerous pastures the stream runs through before entering the city. The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has given Staunton and other Virginia cities with water quality problems until 2010 to make significant improvements.

Not one to pass up an opportunity for applied learning, Pentz has helped the college's biology department acquire hard-to-come-by portable water test kits – and many

easy-to-come-by Ziploc plastic bags – for students to collect and test water samples in the field.

Pentz's hands-on work with the creek began in the early 1980s. Joanna Campbell Swanson's student project was initiated by a request from city officials to the college, to find an explanation for the foul odor emanating from under the former Leggett's department store where City Hall is now located. Swanson, class of 1984, completed an environmental study that pinpointed an area where an influx of sewage into the creek was likely, and submitted her report to Staunton's mayor. The project prompted extensive repairs to old sewer lines in the city.

"My experience studying Lewis Creek and my education at Mary Baldwin, in general, helps me approach policy and regulatory work in a scientific and methodical way," said Swanson, now an environmental protection specialist with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. "My study of biology and economics at MBC makes it easier to see issues as puzzles to solve and opportunities to make a difference, rather than as problems to avoid or pass on to someone else."

Pentz hopes Hurley's and Hensley's projects will have similar practical application and benefit to the community. Using advanced equipment purchased with the Mary Baldwin Math and Science Initiative and a grant from the Virginia Foundation of Independent Colleges, they monitored bacteria in two branches of the creek that converge under the Johnson Street parking garage. Their frequent and extensive sampling was guided, in part, by questions from the advisory panel and the DEQ, Pentz said. ▲



# MBC Courts New Athletic C

By Dawn Medley

Mary Baldwin College's 10-year membership in the Atlantic Women's Colleges Conference (AWCC) may soon come to an end. MBC was a founding member of AWCC, but changes in the organization's makeup and a desire for more challenging competition have led MBC to apply for membership in the USA South Athletic Conference. The change would affect hundreds of athletes who participate in the eight National Collegiate Athletic Association sports at MBC.

"We are being proactive for the future success of our sports programs," said Donna Miller, athletic director. "Being a member of USA South will be an important step in growing and strengthening our existing programs. We hope it will give us better visibility and more prestige for our programs."

The athletic department offers several reasons for a conference switch — which will still position the college in Division III of the NCAA. The question has always been: What is best for the MBC athletic program? In the mid-1990s, the answer was AWCC — a competitive, though fledgling, conference that had the success of women's athletics at its core. A decade later, the reply has shifted to USA South. It is a conference with a longer history and more name recognition in Virginia. Its member colleges are within closer geographic distance to MBC, minimizing the need for long trips and overnight stays. There are also more Virginia colleges in USA South, which creates stronger rivalries and will boost attendance at both home and away games for the Fighting Squirrels. Finally, the recent decisions of several AWCC colleges to become co-ed have diminished the original purpose of belonging to an all-women's colleges conference. USA South offers more challenging co-ed conference competition and will help MBC athletics grow and mature, Miller said.

## Looking Toward 2007-08

The process to enter a new conference typically takes about two years, Miller said. MBC is also required to give the AWCC at least two years' notice before leaving the



conference. Mary Baldwin College submitted an application for acceptance into the USA South in winter 2004, and USA South member college presidents voted in December to move forward with the application process.

In March, MBC welcomed a committee of USA South college president members, conference commissioner, athletic directors and associate directors, and other officials. They looked at MBC's athletic and academic facilities and talked to athletes, sports staff, and college administrators to determine if MBC is a good fit for USA South.

Over the next few years, conference officials will continue their review, USA South athletic directors will submit a recommendation, and, then, college presidents will vote on whether to accept Mary Baldwin College to the conference.

MBC will continue to be a member of AWCC at least through 2006-07.

Most MBC teams have played colleges in USA South for several seasons, which will help with a smooth transition. Coaches are allowed to seek out non-conference match-ups to fill out their schedules, and the proximity and competitive level of USA South schools make them logical choices. MBC basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, and field hockey teams regularly play USA South team Shenandoah University. At least one or another MBC teams have also played USA South schools Christopher Newport University, Ferrum College, Averett College, Peace College, and North Carolina Wesleyan College. Only Methodist College and Greensboro College have not met the Fighting Squirrels in recent years.



PHOTO BY STEVE ZUMERO

## Cross Country In, Other Sports Out

Joining the new conference would be a boost to Mary Baldwin's young cross country program. Many AWCC teams do not have cross country teams, so the sport is not officially recognized by the conference and the team has to seek out match-ups in other conferences. Cross country is part of the USA South lineup along with basketball, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball. Official recognition of a sport means that there is an automatic qualifier for winning teams to go to the NCAA tournament.

"Having a conference to compete in will give us a conference title and standing to focus on," said MBC cross country coach Gary Kessler. "Having a goal to focus

on, such as conference championships, gives the program a purpose and generates excitement and commitment."

However, field hockey and swimming – two sports where Mary Baldwin has been building recognition – are not recognized by the new conference. MBC might have the option to keep those sports in the AWCC for competitive purposes, but details have not yet been worked out, Miller said. If field hockey and swimming do not remain in AWCC, they will operate as independent sports and likely play teams from a variety of conferences, much like cross country does in the current situation.

Katie Spicer '06 is disappointed that swimming is not recognized by the USA South as it is by the AWCC, but she is excited about the potential for softball – which she also plays – and other MBC teams.

## Basketball Builds Recognition

Jackie Bryan, Mary Baldwin College head basketball coach and sports information director, anticipates the tougher competition and increased recruiting potential that belonging to USA South will afford her and her team. Bryan has actively pursued match-ups with teams outside AWCC to challenge her teams and broaden their experience since she started at MBC five years ago.

Bryan said things will not change much for the basketball team if MBC becomes a member of USA South. She is optimistic that the membership will be a selling point for prospective students who will recognize more colleges and universities in the conference.

Sophomore basketball player Melissa Conyers realizes that MBC's first year in a new conference will be an "educational year" when the team's record could suffer, but the program will grow. Conyers said the biggest upside for her would be reduced travel. "It's hard when you get off a bus after five or six hours," she said. "We notice it in ourselves and when teams come from far away to play us here. We are sluggish and not at our best."

During its most recent season, the

basketball team played eight games out of state, four of those in Pennsylvania. Few MBC teams play AWCC member school Wells College because the trip to Aurora, New York, is just too long.

Second-year basketball player Ashaunti Kinchen '07 decided to come to Mary Baldwin for many reasons, but she said she would have taken more notice of the athletic programs if MBC was a member of USA South.

"Any opportunity to advance athletics at the college is good," Kinchen said. "On the court, it doesn't really make a difference to me if a school is co-ed or not. The strength of the program is what's important." ▲

## USA South Stats

Headquartered in Fayetteville, North Carolina; the conference began in 1963 as the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Includes eight colleges and universities: Shenandoah University, Christopher Newport University, Ferrum College, and Averett College from Virginia, and Peace College, Methodist College, North Carolina Wesleyan College, and Greensboro College from North Carolina.

Added women's sports in 1981 and was renamed USA South in 2003. The conference now sponsors seven sports for men and seven for women.

Also in 2003, Peace College became the first and, to date, only women's college in the conference.





*Records are noted in the following order:  
wins-losses-ties, unless otherwise specified*

### Cross Country (Fall 2004)

Cross country is not an official sport in the Atlantic Women's Colleges Conference, therefore MBC does not have conference statistics. The team competed in six regular-season meets and the Southeast Regionals:

Hollins Invitational: 5th

Washington and Lee Invitational: 9th

Roanoke Invitational: 8th

General Invitational (Lexington): 4th

Virginia State Championships: 6th

Hood: Loss

### Field Hockey (Fall 2004)

Conference Record: 3-2

Overall Record: 6-7

Highlights: Senior Brantley Scott recorded a team-high 10 goals; classmate Stephanie Hatlem had 15 saves in a single game against Sweet Briar College.



### Soccer (Fall 2004)

Conference Record: 4-3

Overall Record: 7-10-2

Highlights: Sophomore Jessica Lankes scored 11 goals, the most on the team.



### Volleyball (Fall 2004)

Conference Record: 7-5

Overall Record: 12-20

Highlights: Freshman Skylar Napier recorded 10 kills (an attacked ball that hits the floor in play or lands out of bounds after touching an opponent) and 17 digs (saving a ball attacked by a player on the opposing team) in a match-up against Hood College, freshman Selina Trevino racked up 19 digs against Chestnut Hill College and 15 against Hood College



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## All-Conference Players

Ashley Kizler	field hockey	first team
Karen Potter	field hockey	second team
Brantley Scott	field hockey	second team
Jessica Lankes	soccer	first team
Maggie Eves	soccer	second team
Jessica Spittle	soccer	second team
Camí Roa	soccer	honorable mention
Janice Udy	soccer	honorable mention
Ashley Ragland	volleyball	first team
Ryanne McCarraher	volleyball	second team
Kristin Guffey	volleyball	honorable mention
Selina Trevino	volleyball	honorable mention
Katrina Scruggs	basketball	first team
Jessica Carter	basketball	second team
Rayna Henry	basketball	honorable mention
Sneha Bhat	swimming	first team
Maggie Connelly	swimming	first team
Shona Fenner	swimming	first team
Katie Spicer	swimming	first team
Jessie Burns	swimming	second team
Dani Sevier	swimming	honorable mention



### Basketball (Winter 2004-05)

Conference Record 8-4

Overall Record 12-16

Highlights Junior Katrina Scruggs reached 1,000 career points

### Swimming (Winter 2004-05)

Conference record, 2-3

Overall record 3-3

Highlights Won a three-way meet against Wells College and Trinity College, where Shona Fenner '07 won all three of her individual events



### Softball (Spring 2005)

Conference Record 14-0

Overall record 15-22 (going into the NCAA tournament)

Highlights The softball team knocked off conference opponents one by one to earn a 12-0 record in the AWCC. The team won the conference championships to advance to the Division III National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament for the second consecutive year. NCAA games were scheduled at press time for May 13-16

### Tennis (Fall 2004 and Spring 2005)

Overall record 4-9

No conference statistics – tennis is not an AWCC recognized sport  
Highlights: Sylvia Neiser '07 won both singles and doubles matches in Hilton Head, S.C., during the Spring Break Tennis competition



## CLUB SPORT

### Fencing

State championships versus Virginia Tech, James Madison University, Hollins, Sweet Bnar, the University of Virginia, and Washington and Lee University

Marissa Goldbeck, Sarah Brewer, Megan Huffman – 2nd place, foil  
Huffman – 3rd place, foil

Katherine Russell – 2nd place, epee

Mahala Burn – 2nd, Bethany Pope – 4th, saber

# The Art of Reality: Student Interpret



Karla Stewart with *Excessive Hunting*

# ets Current Events



PHOTO BY THERESA ROLLISON



At first glance, the primitive organisms pop from the paper.

Looking again, they're not single-celled life forms: They're seeds. Sorghum seeds. Behind the seeds are other images and faint words. They tell a story of the scarring of land and skin.

Karla Stewart's illustration of the over-grazing of fields in the Sudan, *Excessive Hunting*, is her response to dozens of newspaper articles and television news broadcasts about the region's environmental genocide. She attached crumpled, torn newspaper to a large sheet of paper to create a background material that symbolized her intense experience with media coverage of the events.

"Newspapers are a powerful medium," said Stewart, a December 2004 graduate. "They are filled with the history and life of society, and delivered every day to places where people study and discuss them — homes, libraries, schools, and churches."

The unique palette also allowed her to be more personal and expressive than when working on traditional canvas. She did not need to prepare the canvas as a working surface, as is typically done. She was able to transfer her first thoughts, images, and burst of energy onto the paper. No time or impulse wasted.

"Painting allows me to record the decisions I made, and my emotions. It's where I've been and where I'm going," she said.

Barely 5-feet 2-inches herself, Stewart would not have been blamed if she wanted to keep her artwork small. She didn't. Like many of the pieces she has produced as a student at Mary Baldwin College, *Excessive Hunting* towers over her. She was in constant motion while creating the 7 x 11-foot piece.

"I like my art to be physically demanding. I use my whole range of motion to create," she explained.

Although Stewart likes to look back at her pieces to critique them and remember their genesis, it is the process of creation that she craves. *Excessive Hunting* is so large and on such a delicate medium that she realizes it's unlikely to stay long in its original condition. The effects of time and wear will add to the meaning of her work, Stewart says. It will be in perpetual transformation.

Stewart, a transfer student and Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership cadet from Dallastown, Pennsylvania, became serious about artwork as a college student. She was hired shortly after graduation as an art teacher at Riverheads Elementary School in Greenville, Virginia. ▲



# Dust Craft Living Artwork



PHOTO BY JIM SCONYERS

"What kind of fool would try to compete with today's image culture? It's warfare, trying to vie for cerebral real estate," said Jim Sconyers, assistant professor of art, as he began discussing his latest project, *Pulp Fiction*.

"It's like preaching to the choir, but I'm not sure the choir's listening" is how Sconyers, a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Indiana University, describes contemporary art. He says the world is made up of images and text and noise constantly bombarding the brain, trying to get in, trying to stake a claim. In today's culture, many artists' seeds – their ideas, visions, and hopes for how their pieces can influence the world – are buried within their work, and remain dormant.

Sconyers' creative seeds literally and figuratively bloom in his most recent series of works – an exchange portfolio that was part of the 2005 Southern Graphics Council International Conference. He was asked to contribute 13 prints responding to the conference theme, *Power in Print: Make Your Mark*. Ten of the prints were distributed by the Council to people at the conference, and the other three are slated for permanent collections, locations unknown.

*Pulp Fiction* began with a simple piece of black paper. Sconyers dipped his hand in invisible ink and pressed it onto the paper, leaving a handprint. While the ink was wet, he shook marble dust over it. After the print dried, he took an airbrush and blew away the excess dust. He signed, numbered, and titled each print.

Next, he did something unconventional by tearing apart the prints and putting the confetti in a blender with water – turning it into a lumpy slush or pulp. He then added 14 tomato seeds to the pulp and made a new sheet of paper. On top of this new paper, he attached parchment with directions to a Web site ([home.earthlink.net/~jsconyers/](http://home.earthlink.net/~jsconyers/)) that tells how to germinate and plant the print.

Sconyers intends for this project to culminate with a show. He will give five prints to people he knows to help tell the story of the art's metamorphosis. He envisions the

art recipients participating in the allegory and sees them as collaborators. He wants them to share the tomatoes and recipes with friends and family, and to save the seeds from the tomatoes they have grown to plant next spring.

Every element of the project is intensely meaningful to Sconyers. The black paper is his representation of life. It is light that burns and leaves an impression, he says. White is the absence of light, therefore nothingness. When he dusts the invisible ink with white marble dust, in a sense, killing the print. He has to kill it to make it visible to the human eye. The handprint is both a symbolic and literal return of the artists' hand into fine print, Sconyers said. His act of anointing his hand with ink and touching the paper reminds him of the laying on of hands to heal.

The 14 seeds in each print are tributes to Sconyers' daughters – seven of Pink Girl tomatoes (for his younger daughter, Gemma) and seven of Big Girl tomatoes (for the older girl, Cordelia). Why seven? The number seven is symbolic of perfection in Christian numerology. The seeds help create a living piece. It is no longer dead or dormant; it is living, breathing, and will continue to create life. The seeds in the prints that remain in portfolios or on gallery walls will be dormant, increasing the risk of their dying altogether, he explained.

Sconyers relates this work of art to a poem he read at his grandmother's funeral. "Post Humus," from *When I Am an Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple*, is about a woman who dies and her friends scatter her ashes in her garden. When the tomatoes grew the next season, they ate them and said, "That Patti, she sure is some tomato!" This poem was particularly appropriate for his grandmother, an educator and gardener.

Sconyers' artwork may still be relatively unknown, but he pushes himself to engage others, rather than just let them walk by. *Pulp Fiction* invites people to literally chew on his work, consume it, and digest it, so it becomes part of them. ▲

# MBC Professor Plays Mendelssohn... Fanny Mendelssohn



When you think of a composer, whose name pops into your head first? Is it Bach or Mozart or Beethoven? Or did you think of Maria Hester Park or Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel or Amy Beach, maybe Clara Schumann, or Madeleine Dring? Female composers have long received less attention than their male counterparts. Lise Keiter-Brotzman, pianist and Mary Baldwin College assistant professor of music and chair of the music department, would like to change that.

Keiter-Brotzman did her part to introduce people to the work of talented women composers in a solo recital in March for Women's History Month. The mix of composers represented different time periods and styles, and combined more familiar names with lesser-known composers to broaden the audience's exposure.

"My study of the music of women composers is a good example of how one's job can inspire new research," Keiter-Brotzman said. She agreed to teach a course on women in music when she joined the Mary Baldwin faculty in 1998, but she had to do a lot of homework to prepare for that task. "I was very interested in the subject, but I had relatively little background."

Keiter-Brotzman's music students at MBC and her continuing fascination with the material she found drew

her deeper into research. She also began to include more female composers in her recitals and lectures. Her piano students frequently asked to learn and perform pieces by women, and she started giving lectures and combination lecture-recitals on Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel, the older sister of Felix Mendelssohn. Clara Schumann was also

related to a well-known composer; she was the wife of Robert Schumann.

Before she knew it, Keiter-Brotzman built a reputation as an expert on the work of female composers and fielded many requests to include pieces by women in her performances. The idea for her recent recital featuring only women composers was a response to her audiences' growing interest.

"This year was particularly appropriate for such a performance because it is the 200th anniversary of the birth of Mendelssohn Hensel, who originally sparked my interest," Keiter-Brotzman said.

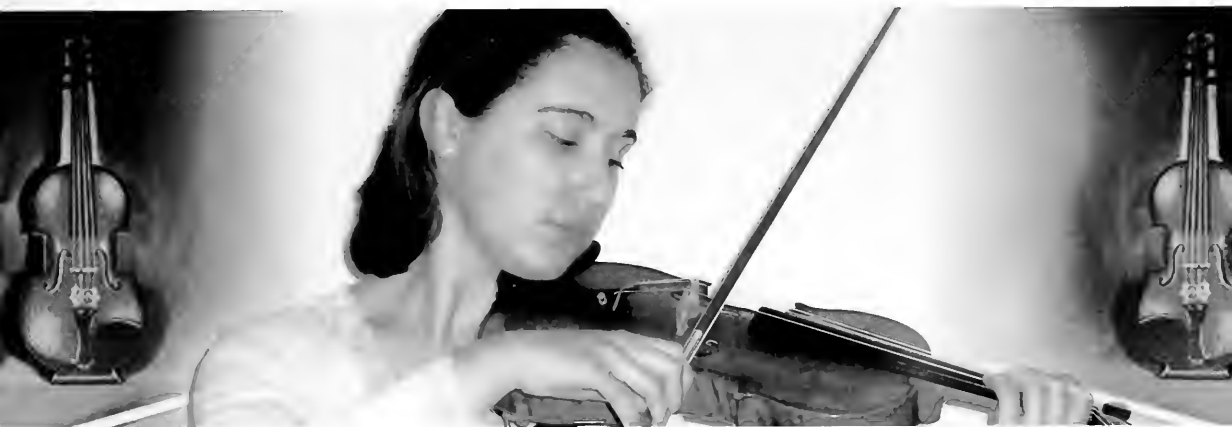
In addition to Schumann and Mendelssohn Hensel, Keiter-Brotzman's program included the prolific 18th-century composer Maria

Hester Park; Amy Beach, who reportedly started composing at age four; and Madeleine Dring, a more modern, jazzy composer.

"My inspiration comes from the desire to be constantly growing and challenging myself as an artist. I am inspired by the music itself," Keiter-Brotzman said. ▲

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# Sizzling Hott on the Strings



**H**ilary Hott '06 started practicing on a cardboard violin at age 4. She just couldn't wait for a real one. Although the cutout didn't play a note, Hott learned how to position the wide end under her chin, hold the printed-on strings on the neck, and angle the pint-sized bow. It satisfied the precocious young musician for about a month.

Little more than a decade after she picked up the cardboard instrument, Hott is a student in the Program for the Exceptionally Gifted at Mary Baldwin College double majoring in biochemistry and music – not surprisingly, with an emphasis in violin performance. Like her skill, her instrument is more refined and solid – now she usually plays a 20th-century French violin made by Gustave Bazin.

During her childhood, Hott spent much of her free time practicing and listening to the symphonies of classical composers rather than the songs of popular artists that her peers were wrapped up in. She says playing violin enriched her early years, particularly when she was in classes with other students where she critiqued their work and her own.

"Initially, my mother was the one who chose music for me, but I have absolutely no regrets about it," Hott said. Now that Hott makes her own decisions about her future, the violin still plays a major part.

*'Telling a story or communicating a feeling with music is, for me, an ultimate inspiration.'*

After graduation from Mary Baldwin College, she plans to apply to a master's program in violin performance and then attend medical school. Eventually, she would like to practice medicine and play in a doctor's orchestra, common in medical communities.

Three composers stand out as Hott's favorites:

Mozart, Henryk Wieniawski, and Dmitri Shostakovich. Now 16 and a college junior, she played a symphony by Mozart with the Waynesboro Community Orchestra last semester, and her junior recital featured two pieces by Wieniawski and a sonata for violin and piano by Mozart.

"Mozart's melodies are simultaneously elegant and whimsical," Hott explained. "Wieniawski, a virtuoso violinist, wrote some very difficult pieces that are frustrating yet exhilarating challenges for the performer. *String Quartet No. 8*, by Shostakovich, is one

of my favorites. It's a haunting piece dedicated to the victims of fascism and war."

"I am glad I was trained in classical music, because it allowed me to develop the facility to play many other types of music as well," she added.

Many people – teachers, musicians, family members, and friends – have inspired Hott. "Telling a story or communicating a feeling with music is, for me, an ultimate inspiration," she said. ▲



## From Make-Up to (Queen) Margaret: Shakespeare Students Present Original Research

**R**ick Blunt isn't looking for the easiest way to create blackface makeup; he is looking for the authentic way – as done in Shakespeare's time. Today, any number of products will transform even the palest actor's complexion, but Blunt, a candidate for a master of letters degree in Shakespeare studies at Mary Baldwin College, is curious about how actors in the Bard's era achieved blackface, particularly for performing the character Othello, also called "the black Moor."

Blunt is aware that actors were put in blackface for plays during the 16th and 17th centuries – for example, many members of the cast in Ben Jonson's *The Masque of Blackness* are completely darkened. "The makeup had to be something that didn't stain clothes or skin, didn't rub off onto other actors, and was somewhat easy to remove. I wanted to know how they made it work," Blunt said.

Like more than a dozen of his classmates in MBC's unique Master of Letters/ Master of Fine Arts in Shakespeare and Renaissance Literature in Performance, Blunt spent the academic year in the throes of the program's capstone project – conducting original research and explaining it in performance and written form. Some completed their work this Spring; others, like Blunt, will continue experimenting and writing over the Summer.

M.Litt. and MFA degree tracks are designed to complement each other and expose students to scholarship and stagecraft. Students in the M.Litt. (Master of Letters) program learn and practice acting, directing, and teaching. When they complete the M.Litt. program, students can pursue an MFA (Master of Fine Arts) in acting or directing, and earn the terminal degree in stagecraft.

Each project is designed to guide modern-day actors and directors to perform the plays of Shakespeare's time with more authentic detail. The challenge leads students in varied directions: For example,

Evan Crump examined how Shakespeare staged weddings, Jesse Manson explored the playwright's mariners, and Janie Sprouse investigated how Shakespeare's companies stored costumes.

MFA candidate Megan McDonough opened the series of spring performances in February with *Queen Margaret: Tiger's Heart, Wrapped in a Woman's Hide*, her interpretation of how Shakespeare wrote about the highly theatrical events surrounding the queen of England and her role in the War of the Roses. McDonough's novel take on Shakespeare's history lessons earned praise from Ralph Cohen, M.Litt./MFA program consultant and MBC professor of English.

"I believe it is the best attempt I've seen at turning the unwieldy *Henry VI* material [a series of three historical plays] into a single piece," said Cohen, who is also executive director of Shenandoah Shakespeare. Mary Baldwin's masters program is offered in partnership with Shenandoah Shakespeare and students frequently perform and attend classes in the company's home base, the Blackfriars Playhouse in Staunton. The Playhouse is the world's only authentic reconstruction of Shakespeare's indoor theatre.

Blunt's work continues, and he inches toward closure by bringing former MBC Professor of Chemistry Betty Hairfield on board to help him recreate two recipes for blackface. One includes walnut shells as the primary ingredient, and another is based on lead powder (which Blunt will replace with a non-toxic ingredient). When he finds a suitable recipe, his performance component will involve applying the makeup and demonstrating how well it works by putting on a costume, kissing another character, and – this part is fun – sweating.

"At the end of the process, if we are able to learn just one more thing about the way [Shakespeare] did it, if we are even just one step closer to authenticity, it is worth it," Blunt said. ▲





## Of Waters that black the Face: A recipe from *Cosmetiks*, or *The Beautifying Part of Physick*

PUBLISHED IN 1660

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### MFA

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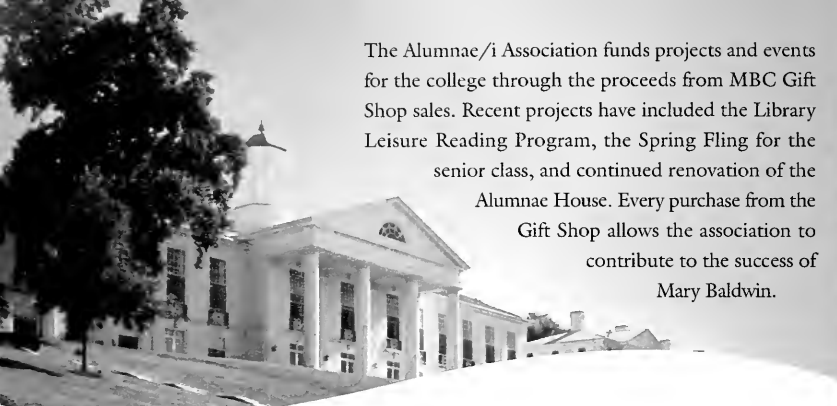
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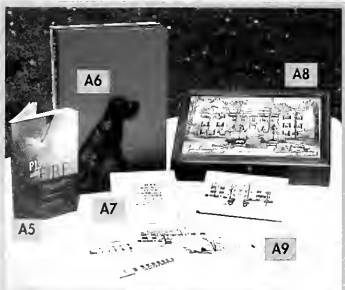


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**Brian Arthur**, instructor of computer science

*Stories and Early Novels* and *Later Novels and Other Writings*, Raymond Chandler

*London: The Biography*, Peter Ackroyd

**Mary Hill Cole**, professor of history

*Elizabeth and Mary*, Jane Dunn  
*L'Assommoir*, Emile Zola

**Virginia Francisco**, professor of theatre

*Eats, Shoots & Leaves: The Zero Tolerance Approach to Punctuation*, Lynne Truss

*Moosewood Restaurant Daily Special: More than 275 Recipes for Soups, Stews, Salads and Extras*, the Moosewood Collective

**Eric Jones**, associate professor of biology

*The Hornet's Nest*, Jimmy Carter

**Claire Kent**, associate professor of business administration

*Taking Sex Differences Seriously*, Steven E. Rhoads

*What Really Works: The 4 + 2 Formula for Sustained Business Success*, William Joyce, Nitin Nohria, and Bruce Robertson

**Kathy McCleaf**, associate professor of health and physical education

*Learning As a Way of Being*, Peter Vaill  
*Is Multiculturalism Bad for Women?*, Susan Moeller Okin

**Anne McGovern**, associate professor of French

*Gilead*, Marilynne Robinson  
*Life of Pi*, Yann Martel

**Cathy Ferris McPherson**, associate professor of business administration  
*The Call of the Mall*, Paco Underhill

**Steven Mosher**, professor of Health Care

Administration and political science  
*Old Boys*, Charles McCarry  
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*Blindness*, Jose Saramago  
*Word Freak*, Stephen Fastis

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*Themes in Contemporary Art*, Gill Perry and Paul Wood  
*A Glossary of Literary Terms*, M.H. Abrams

**Patricia Westhafer**, professor of education

*Magic Trees of the Mind: How to Nurture Your Child's Intelligence, Creativity, and Healthy Emotions from Birth Through Adolescence*, Marian Diamond and Janet Hopson  
*Get With the Program*, Bob Green

## Great Books for You, Too

The Great Books Discussion Group at Mary Baldwin College continues in fine form! Jeffrey Buller, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college, started the informal meetings nearly four years ago, and dozens of titles have since been poured over and dissected. The group is limited to faculty and staff to encourage the group to "let down its guard" and bond as colleagues, Buller said.

Books are chosen by Buller, faculty, and staff, and the line-up for the next academic year is a characteristic mix of fiction and nonfiction, classics and lesser-known titles. Buller says the only criterion for selection of a book is that "it should have some degree of enduring significance, to have stood the test of time, rather than being a recent publication or limited to current perspectives." A different faculty or staff member leads each discussion.

Next year's reading list will include:

*Persuasion* by Jane Austen

*How to Do Things With Words* by J.L. Austin

*The Autobiography of Malcolm X* by Alex Haley

*Cranford* by Elizabeth Gaskell

*The Medusa and the Snail* by Lewis Thomas

*The Social Construction of Reality* by Peter Berger

*Hard Times* by Charles Dickens

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Susan Jennings Denson '62  
Donia Stevens Eley '02 ADP  
Ann Trusler Faith '69  
Virginia Royster Francisco '64, Faculty Representative  
Lynn Tuggle Gilliland '80, Executive Director Ex-Officio  
Leigh Hamblin Gordon '78  
Helen Radcliffe Gregory '74  
Jessie Carr Haden '54  
Charon Wood Hines '95  
Christina Holstrom '80  
Susan Powell Leister '68  
Nina Reid Mack '72  
Alexis Grier Reid '95  
Carolyn Gilmer Shawr '60  
Elizabeth Jennings Shupe '70  
Ethel Smeak '53, Honorary Member  
Elizabeth Swope '66  
Jane Townes '69, Nominating Chairman

### STARS (Student Alumnae Relations Society)

Erin Baker '07, Chair  
Drew Jacobus '05  
Megan Jones '07  
Megan Kadlak '05

# alumnae/i news

## Alumnae/i Association President's Letter

One of the highlights of serving as the president of the Mary Baldwin College Alumnae/i Association is meeting current students. My husband and I had the opportunity to travel to Bulgaria and Greece with students, faculty, and staff of the college during Spring Break 2005. We were enriched by the classes we attended, the sights we visited, and most certainly, by the interaction with the students. We will welcome those same students into the Alumnae/i Association soon. It is so important to keep new alumnae/i engaged and connected to the college. Each of us can assist by continuing our service as ambassadors for Mary Baldwin.

Mark your calendars for *A Continuing Education Experience at Mary Baldwin College* to be held on campus October 21-23, 2005. We will "recharge our minds, relax our bodies and renew our spirits" as we participate in intellectual, cultural and self-discovery pursuits. Planned by the Alumnae/i Board's Continuing Education Committee and the Alumnae/i and Parent Relations staff, the weekend will showcase our faculty and staff and will foster your renewed appreciation for the College. Join your classmates and friends for a wonderful weekend experience.

I continue to be grateful to the women serving with me on the Alumnae/i Association Board of Directors. They represent you with energy, enthusiasm and devotion to Mary Baldwin. We are committed to strengthening the college by giving our time, talents, and financial resources. Thank you for your continuing interest. I look forward to seeing some of you in my travels.

ANN GORDON ABBOTT EVANS '65  
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## My Big Fat Spring Break

You can experience some of Spring Break in Bulgaria and Greece through a photo diary online at [www.mbc.edu/academic/greek/springbreak](http://www.mbc.edu/academic/greek/springbreak) (the pages will live in the Academic Programs section under the category of Study Abroad).

Dean Jeffrey Buller recorded highlights of the journey and created the album. He also discovered he could belly dance, but swears he was dragged to the stage.





# . alumnae/i . in action

## Alexandria, VA

### Dining with the Dean on the Dandy Restaurant Cruise Ship

October 17, 2004

- 1 Francis de la Pena, Ramona David '99
- 2 Christy Andrews Walls '93, Emily Oehler '93  
Diahann "Buffy" DeBreaux Watts '93  
Charon Wood Hines '95
- 3 Front Row L-R Jeffrey L. Buller  
Lynn Edmonds '86, Lindsay Jones '69  
Lynn Tuggle Gilliland '80, Melissa Parsells '08  
Second Row L-R Sandra McClain  
Ramona David '99, Blythe Slinkard Wells '00  
Rosemary Parsells '97, Charon Wood Hines '95  
Julie Schmidt '03, Crissy Jurach '03,  
Pat Holland  
Back Row L-R Monty Cones, Tracey Cones  
Emily Oehler '93, Christy Andrews Walls '93  
Jessica Miller '00, Buffy DeBreaux Watts '93
- 4 Monty Cones, Tracey Cones '82



## New York, NY

### Reception to meet Dr. Pamela Fox at The Colony Club hosted by Jean Grainger '70

October 25, 2004

- 5 Jane Harding Miller '76, Susan Stover '85  
Lindsay Jones '69, Judith Godwin '52
- 6 Jean Grainger '70, Anne Gheesling '70
- 7 Susan Stover '85, Jenny Thompson Barker '97  
Mary Beth Pitta '93
- 8 Amy Dawson Zoller '87, President Pamela Fox, Joe Zoller
- 9 Susan Myers '72, Sue McDowell Whitlock '67  
Susan Morey Petrillo '90



## Staunton, Virginia

### Sophomore Sit-Down Dinner

November 8, 2004

- 10 Front Row L-R, Makita Hanson '06, Vicky TenBroeck '05  
Middle Row L-R, Tammy Newcomb '05, Drew Jacobus '05  
Back Row L-R, Megan Jones '07, Erin Baker '07  
Ana-Milena Fandino '05, Megan Kadlak '06  
Alison Kaufman '07, Angela Hatler '07



## Lynchburg, Virginia

### Luncheon at the home of Jane Carter Vaughan '69

November 16, 2004

- 11 Front Row L-R, Kellie Owens Reams '82  
Marcia Severance McBratney '78, Peggy Flythe Teague '59  
Back Row L-R, Kay Puckette Feilmlee '66  
Helen Arrowood Arnold '63





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## Roanoke, Virginia

### 20th Anniversary of ADP in Roanoke Reception with President Pamela Fox at the Roanoke Higher Education Center

November 19, 2004

- 12 Judy Lipas Garst '63, Alice Parson Payne '46  
Mary Jo Snilling Shannon '53
- 13 Dr. Ann Field Alexander '67, Linda Lunnartz
- 14 Dr. Diane Ganiere, Dr. Stevens Garlick
- 15 Ginny Moomaw Savage '69, Lisa Bowman '98

## Jacksonville, Florida

### Luncheon at the Timuquana Country Club

November 30, 2004

- 16 Front Row L-R, Frances Wentz Taber '62  
Thelma Riddle Goughly '40, Mildred Anderson Burns '48  
Lucy Tomlinson Wallace '75  
Back Row L-R, Bo Taber, Laura McLaughlin Crum '69  
Evelyn Anderson Baker '47, Mary Tucker Fouraker '75  
Pat Lamberth Bruce '71  
Not pictured: Holland Roberts Gibbs '98

## Ocala, Florida

### Holiday Luncheon at Bella Luna Cafe

December 1, 2004

- 17 Pat Lamberth Bruce '71, Janey Martin Tanner '48  
Meredith West '58, Joanne Lowry Marren '58  
Ryn Bruce '99

## Winter Park, Florida

### Holiday Luncheon at Chapters on Park

December 2, 2004

- 18 Front Row L-R, Nancy Falkenberg Muller '67  
Dale Midgette Smith '65, Lynn Talbott Mulherin '85  
Back Row L-R, Lynn Amador Gotay '75  
Mary-Slater Linn '87, Donelle Weatherholtz '03  
Frances Knight Nollet '43, Florence Wimberly Hellinger '52  
Lynda Graham Mays '61, Lisa Doering Page '95  
Lisa Carr Hogarth '86

## Winchester, Virginia

### Holiday Choral Event featuring the Mary Baldwin College Madrigals

sponsored by Allison J. Young '87  
December 8, 2004

- 19 The Madrigals surround Elizabeth Crawford Engle '31

## Staunton, Virginia

### Holiday Wine and Cheese at the home of Henry and Nancy Kunkle Carey '51

December 9, 2004

- 20 Marjorie Chambers, professor emerita of religion  
Dr. Patricia Menk, professor emerita of history
- 21 Ann Gordon Abbott Evans '65, Alumnae/ Association president, Tom Piazza, vice president for institutional advancement
- 22 Ethel M. Smeak '53, Ruth Peters Sproul '43
- 23 Megan Jones '07, Rusty Evans, Erin Baker '07
- 24 Clair Carter Bell '76, Lisa Smith Kirtz '78, Anne Coleman Knopp '74



## 1933

### MARGARET "MARGIE" KING

**Westcott** of Cincinnati OH: "Living full time in our motor home, New Hampshire in summer and Florida in winter. We have 12 'grands' and seven 'great-grands'."

## 1938

**JANET HOLLIS** Doswell of Auburndale MA has 27 great-grandchildren ranging in age from 14 months to 21 years.

## 1940

**SARA FRANCES FERRELL** Shay of Linthicum Heights MD: "I certainly cannot be thought of as an 'elderly lady' who spends her time watching soap operas! In September, we had a neighborhood get-together in my backyard with 43 neighbors. The same month, my sorority alumnae group started a seasonal meeting at my home with a pot luck. My two grandsons maintain my constant interest: 'number one' is a full-fledged 'Coastie', stationed in Portsmouth and 'number two' is a student at University of South Carolina. I'm grateful for good health."

**NITA SORELLE** Martin of Waco TX is an 86-year-old grandmother of 11 and a great-grandmother of two. "My three daughters take good care of me. I've been a widow for 30 years. My health is good and I'm enjoying life. I attended MBC for one year and graduated from Baylor in 1940. I loved my year at Mary Baldwin and have many happy memories of Staunton."

## 1941

**MALVINE PAXTON** Graham of Pulaski VA says she's doing fine and enjoying visits from her children and grandchildren.

**DALE PETERS** Bryant of Hanover NH has three great-grandchildren. She spent a month in England visiting a friend and cruising the Eastern Mediterranean. She enjoys swimming and taking courses at the Institute for Lifelong Education at Dartmouth.

## 1942

**EMILY EAKLE** Morgan of Staunton VA: "I lost my oldest daughter Carol last March to Crohn's disease. In September, I fell and suffered a hip fracture, but am doing fine."

**ELEANOR JAMISON** Supple of Staunton VA: "Sidney and I had a wonderful trip in November to the Southern Caribbean islands. We returned to Staunton and spent Thanksgiving in Williamsburg, as usual."

## 1943

**CAROLINE HUNT** of Dallas TX: "Still busy with Lady Primrose Royal Bathing Luxuries, 19 grandbabies (ages 1 to 34), five great-grandbabies, and 2 more on the way!"

## 1944

**MARGARET "PEGGY" CREEL** Minicler of Mt. Dora FL: "Having survived three hurricanes in great shape, Ivan skipped us but hit the Panhandle."

**LAURA MCMANAWAY** Andrews of Des Moines IA: "In February 2004, my husband and I moved into a United Methodist retirement community called Wesley Homes. We have our own apartment, lots of friends, and love living here. I'm excited to hear about opportunities MBC students have to study abroad, as all three of our children had overseas experiences. I still play piano and accompany hymn-sings, thanks to Dr. [Carol] Broman and others."

## 1945

**ERAH HATTEN** Kiewer of Newport News VA has two grandchildren: Kacie Howerton, 8, and Ethan Howerton, 3.

**ANN WHITEHEAD** Thomas of Round Hill VA: "My book, *A Story of Round Hill, Loudoun County, Virginia*, has been published by Friends of the Thomas Balch Library in Leesburg. Now, I'm learning to use a new computer and e-mail!"

## 1946

**EMILY REESE** Smith of Charlottesville VA: "Happily married to Charles for 56 years with four children, three in-law kids, and six grandchildren (one married and one engaged). I'm very blessed. **FRANCES "WAG" WAGENER** Tebbs '46 moved here last year. It's been great getting to know her again."

## 1947

**DELL PROCTOR** Hollstein of Fayetteville NC reports that granddaughter Christine Kistler is a medical doctor in residency in MI. Grandson Charles Kistler is a jet pilot in the U.S. Air Force, based in Del Rio TX.

## 1948

**BETSY BERRY** Williamson of Richmond VA: "After 18 years, I had a replacement of my right hip. This makes my third hip and one knee. I look forward to Homecoming."

## 1949

**BETTY BAILEY** Hall of Austin TX: "The days go by faster and my husband and I move more slowly. We enjoy our friends in Westminster Manor and hearing from long-time friends around the country and overseas."

**JULIA JOHNSTON** Belton of Melbourne FL reports that husband Dr. Joseph Burckhalter died last May. "It was a difficult Summer and Fall (and the year before, since I was taking care of him in a hospital bed at home). I hope to get to Mary Baldwin again in the future — my 50th reunion in 1999 was wonderful."

**HELEN THOMPSON** Shires of Richmond VA: "My granddaughter Micah and I got together in Chicago while she was on fall break from Wheaton College. She will spend six weeks this summer studying in Oxford, England. My Marine (1st division) grandson returned safely from his deployment to Iraq. I have three great-grandchildren and am still swimming, taking a bike spinning class, tutoring kids twice a week. Life is good!"

## 1950

**HELEN JANE BECKELHEIMER** Baugh of Kenbridge VA recently celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary. She and husband Emerson have four children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**BETTY GILMER** Young "I'm serving my 8th church as interim minister in San Rafael CA. Philip and I are planning to retire at Kendall in Lexington VA next

year, since our four children and four grandchildren all live on the East Coast or thereabouts. Well, one is in St. Paul MN. Is that "thereabouts?" See you in Virginia in 2005."

**ALICE HUNTER** Patterson of Dublin GA: "My sister-in-law **JAN PEGUES** Patterson '50 died in Aberdeen MS last August. After leaving MBC she graduated from Blue Mountain College in MS and from University of Mississippi School of Law. She practiced law in Aberdeen with her husband Robert Dewey Patterson, who died in 2002. Jan is survived by four children and seven grandchildren. She had some wonderful times at MBC and I have some good memories!"

## 1951

**MARTHA "MARTY" KLINE** Chaplin of Charlottesville VA celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary with husband Harvey at The Greenbrier where they spent their honeymoon.

**ANN RAWL** McCain of Columbia SC: "Both daughters **KATHRYN "KATHY" MCCAIN** Lee '77 and **PAMELA "PAM" MCCAIN** Pearce '81 graduated from Mary Baldwin. Kathy and husband Richard live in Atlanta. Pam and husband Bobby live in Charleston. Each daughter has three children, and Kathy's son is a junior at UVA. I have a total of nine grandchildren and stay busy with family and church, First Presbyterian, where I've served as deacon, president of the women, and wedding director for 20 years."

## 1952

**MARGARET KING** Stanley of San Antonio TX: "I'm busy with MKS Designs, my 3-year-old necklace business. I make all the pieces by hand, most are one-of-a-kind. I am a wholesaler, selling to stores in Texas and other states. My necklaces are carried in two major museums and a few top hotels in San Antonio."

**JANEWOODRUFF** Lucas of Charlotte NC celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary with husband Ted in September with a cruise to Italy, Greece, and the Dalmatian Coast.

## 1953

**JO ANN THACKER** West of Roanoke VA is adjusting to being a widow and enjoys spending time with grandchildren Winston, 13, and Elizabeth, 7.

**JO ANNE VAMES** Stamuss of Roanoke VA: "I stay busy with the grandchildren: three who moved to Roanoke and two who are in Pittsburgh. I get to Staunton occasionally."

## 1954

**JOANNE LOWRY Marren** of Ocala FL is active in Kairos Prison Ministry and loves spending time with her nine grandchildren.

## 1955

**GALE CREWS Flory** of Winston-Salem NC is vice president of client services at TriStone Community Bank

**ELLEN STICKELL Bare** of Waynesboro VA "My granddaughter was killed in an auto accident – very tragic, but, looking forward, we welcomed our first great-granddaughter and are awaiting a second."

## 1956

**MARY BEALE Black** "We are happy to be retired and living in Churchville VA. Frank is an avid gardener, hunter, and painter. I sing with a group called Happy Notes, volunteer at the Woodrow Wilson Birthplace, and am in a PEO chapter. We enjoyed visits from four grandchildren last summer."

**VIRGINIA HUNT Roberts** of South Boston VA was honored by Danville Community College with an associate's degree in humane letters. "I'm still involved in Destination Downtown in South Boston, which is now designated as a Main Street Community. Most of all, we enjoy our children and grandchildren."

**BARBARA HUNTER Stone** and husband Jerry of Vero Beach FL spent a month this winter touring with National Geographic Expeditions in India – "a fabulous experience. We returned to Vero Beach — still recovering from the hurricanes. We spent Christmas in Boston with children and 'grands,' and a new granddaughter adopted from Ukraine. We love living in Florida and welcome visitors. Love seeing the MBC Magazine."

## 1958

**CAROLINE CALDWELL Wugofski** of Annapolis MD was honored in October 2004 as the Anne Arundel County Trust and Preservation Volunteer of the Year. "Enjoying living in Annapolis as well as painting, knitting, and boating."

**ANNE COLEMAN Huskey** of Newport News VA reports that husband Ralph died last June. She spends most of the year in New Smyrna Beach FL.

## 1960

**CAROLYN SMITH Ciybum** of Galveston TX is president of The House Company Real Estate Brokers and enjoys her two grandchildren.

## 1961

**SUZANNE "SUSIE" BURCH** of Keswick VA, "In March 2003, I started my own business, Vision Solutions, LLC. I privatized what I'd been doing for 19 years, working with the blind and visually impaired. In December, we started a new Low Vision Clinic at the University of Virginia. Two months before I retired, **ELIZABETH "BETTY" GARST Edwards '61** also retired from Covenant School and started her own business as a *Southern Living* at-home consultant. We love our new life."

**SHIRLEY CORBIN Menendez** of North Potomac MD retired as director of housing services at Georgetown University and is pursuing a second career as a writer. Her second children's book, *B is for Blue Crab: A Maryland Alphabet* was published in September. "I'm enjoying promoting the book and signing copies at bookstores in Maryland"

**LINDA MAYES Nelson** of Cropwell AL reports that husband Edwin Nelson, a former federal judge, died in May 2003. "I have six grandchildren and live on Logan Martin Lake. We closed Books for His Flock, a Christian bookstore."

**DONNA NEWMAN Hunt** "My husband Bill and I are enjoying life in New Bern NC. New Bern is the colonial capital of this state. We have our own palace and lovely historical area. It's a wonderful place to visit."

## 1962

**DOUGLAS "DOUG" LAUGHON Wallace** of Richmond VA, "I adore my grandchildren Vaden, 5, and Latanie, 2. I'm co-chairing the Every Member canvass for my church, and am chairman of Realtors Political Action Committee. I'm in my 28th year of residential real estate and love it. **BETTY KELLEY Peple '62** royally entertained a group of 'MBC girls' for dinner – what a treat! Her condo is lovely and her cooking outstanding."

**LACEY SANFORD Hudgins** of Hampton VA celebrated the birth of a new grandson last October. "Porter is the fourth boy, joining Houder, 9, Dell, 7, and Frazer, 5. They live in Richmond and I enjoy babysitting."

**SANDRA SYKES Gray** of Alexandria VA "Since retiring from full-time teaching, I'm enjoying four young grandchildren and some private tutoring."

## 1963

**FRANCES "BITTY" DAVIS Tenbrooks** of Wilbraham MA "We're counting our blessings with our 40th wedding anniversary in December and the joy our five grandchildren bring into our lives. The

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# Memories: Then and Now

Compiled by Monet Watkins '05, Student Intern

*We asked several pairs of students (then and now) questions to show the MBC traditions we share – no matter when we were at Mary Baldwin. Some of their answers may surprise you.*

**Tell us about an experience you had at Mary Baldwin that you will never forget.**

"We never knew when Apple Day would be, until we found a red paper cut-out apple in our room when we woke up. The dorm mother would slip them under our doors. We knew then it was a holiday – no classes, no homework.

"Growing up in Texas, I had never been to an apple orchard, and certainly had never picked apples. We had pear trees, but not apple trees. On Apple Day, a bunch of us hitchhiked to the college orchard. If my parents had known that I hitchhiked, they would have had a fit! Yet, this was a new experience and we had the best time. We picked apples from the orchard and had a wonderful picnic."

Carla Nix ↔ Class of 1957

"I learned the meaning of sisterhood at my first Kwanzaa celebration on campus. Not understanding the significance or meaning of Kwanzaa, I was drawn in through someone else's (public nervousness). During the celebration, one student forgot her lines. The women in the audience could have watched her struggle, but the opposite happened. They all urged her on and helped by finishing her lines with her. When she finished, she said I realized I will always have friends who will be there for me."

Aminata Tarey ↔ Class of 2007



prison ministry continues to thrive and surprise! We've seen "dead" men and women rise after overcoming addictions."

**SALLY DUPREE Barnett** of Union Grove AL: "I was nominated by the Women's Guild of Huntsville Museum of Art for the citywide art volunteer award, but didn't win. I became president of the same guild last summer."

**PATRICIA "PAT" FISHER McHold** of Annapolis MD purchased a year-round home in East Boothbay MA "It has a water view and a 22 x 40-foot studio, where David and I, having retired from medicine, will paint our summers away! We will have five grandchildren by June."

**VIRGINIA "JENNY" STOTT Ward** of Montoursville PA: "Still training dogs and giving demonstrations, particularly for children. I adore our granddaughter Ally. Sons live in WV and AZ and I enjoy traveling to see them. Got together with **MAR-GARET "PEGGY" MAPP Thacker '63** and had a delightful time. She's as pretty as ever"

## 1964

**SARAH BRENNAN Freeman** of Sanford FL: "I'm working as a guidance counselor and staffing specialist at Hopper Center, a school for children who are severely emotionally disabled. It's a very rewarding job!"

## 1965

**STUART CHAPMAN Cobb** of Little Rock AR was installed as national president of The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America at their biennial meeting in Washington DC and will chair meetings around the country for the next four years.

**KATHRYN "KAK" JOHNSON McKinnie** of Rolling Hills CA has two grandchildren: a boy in TX and a girl in CO. "I'm a dog park groupie with my two Bernese Mountain dogs Beauregard and Jefferson. **EMMA "EMY" MARTIN Halpert '95** came for a quick visit – she and Michael had lots of pictures of their darling grandkids. Such fun to get caught up on news about East Coast friends."

## 1966

**KATHRYN "KAY" JACKSON Lohmiller** of Ponca AR reports that she and husband Buzz retired and moved closer to their children. "We now live in a log home overlooking the Boxley Valley in the Ozark Mountains."

**ESTHER JOHNSON** of Herndon VA "After retiring from the federal government, my second career is working as an advocate for affordable housing in northern Virginia with Habitat for Humanity, Reston Interfaith, and R.P.J. Housing"

**ANN WADE Godwin** of Fishersville VA reports that youngest son Thomas graduated from Duke Law School with J.D. and international law degrees and now

works in New York City. Daughter Beth is in top management training at Blue Ridge Lumber. Older son Rich is realizing his dream with wood carving. Daughters Amanda and Ann share a small house and landscaped last summer"

## 1967

**BARBARA HANNA Joyner** of Lexington VA: "Jim is still at VMI, so I'm walking the same streets I walked as a freshman at MBC. We have four grandchildren who have us 'wrapped around their little fingers,' and they know it!"

**NANCY JEFFRIES Obenshain** of Dunwoody GA teaches fourth grade reading and is working on earning her gifted endorsement.

**DIANE NICHOLS Rogers** of Campbellsville KY: "Milton and I are enjoying our five grandchildren. I am a high school guidance counselor and he is a university biology professor. We see our three children and their families often, and like to travel in the summer."

**ANNE WILLIAMS Blanks** "We built a new home in a golf community in Woodbridge VA. We have a first floor master bedroom that my husband said we needed at our age. I didn't think we were that old! Son Jim and his family live in the same community, so the granddaughters are close by."

## 1968

**SUSETTE BARBEE Payne** of Evanston IL facilitates art classes for Open Studio Project, which uses art for healing and awareness in the Evanston community.

**CECELIA DAVIS Stevens** moved back to Richmond VA in 2003 where she manages a dental office. She reports that daughter Heather married Clayton Wine in Scotland in 2003, and daughter **MEREDITH STEVENS '98** manages the James Island Cats music store. Both daughters live in Charleston SC.

**SUSANNE "SUE" DYER Stanley** of Washington DC reports that first grandchild Lucy Katherine Stanley arrived in November. "We're thrilled and looking forward to making trips to Nashville in our soon-to-be retirement!"

**SUSAN MERKLAS Kahn** of Coral Gables FL "We're grandparents to a wonderful two-year-old, Will. Our son Lowell received his medical degree from Emory University and married his college sweetheart. He's doing a residency at UVA. Our daughter Lauren graduated from Emory with her BA"

**BARBARA PENICK Jimenez** of Madrid, Spain: "I'm finally going to be a grandmother! Son Joey's wife Esther is expecting their first child in September 2005!"

## 1969

**JANE COLLIS Thomton** "We moved to Santa Clara CA after 21 years in Danville CA. Daughter Liz, a 2004 graduate of University of Colorado, works in New York City at Music Choice. Daughter Virginia is a sophomore at University of Southern California. I passed the California Better Education Skills Test and started substitute teaching."

**JUDITH "JUDY" GALLOWAY** of New York City is president of The Young Group, a marketing company, and teaches a graduate course in market research at the Fashion Institute of Technology, State University of New York.

**MARY GWEN "M.G." HALSEY Tyda** of Flat Rock NC retired from Harcourt School Publishers in 2002 and moved to North Carolina with husband George. She enjoyed a visit from **JUDITH "J." WADE '69** and **JO ANNE HOFFMAN Jay '70** in November

**MARY HUTCHESON Priddy** of Richmond VA: "My husband and I still practice law full time. I specialize in medical malpractice defense. Our daughter is 17 and our son is 15."

**SARA "SALLY" JAMES** of Staunton VA was listed in the 2004 edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. "I had a visit in Winter with **MARY JANE WIRTZ November '69** – vibrant and delightful as ever, at Union Theological Seminary where she is alumnae director. I will spend April and part of May in England doing research before going to Italy. I am participating in two conferences: one in Cambridge, England and one in Orvieto, Italy. I have been writing grants to fund research for a book in progress on Art in England. My book, *Signorelli and Fra Angelico at Orvieto: Liturgy, Poetry, and a Vision of the End-time* (Ashgate Publishing, 2003) has received favorable reviews from art and theological journals. That is a good feeling after putting so many years, not to mention blood, sweat, toil, and tears, into it."

**VIRGINIA "GINNY" MOOMAW Savage** of Salem VA: "I lost my husband Lon Savage last July, and my friend and MBC roommate **SALLIE BARRE James '68** in December – both to cancer. Son Ned is a freshman at Hampden-Sydney and loves it."

## 1970

**ALICE DIBRELL Freeman** of Marion VA: "My husband Isaac is a general district judge. Our children are adults: Nelson, 20, is a junior at Wake Forest University; daughter Walker graduated from Duke in 2002 and is headed to Washington DC, after a year in London. Daughter Alice Schaap graduated from Davidson in 2000, married a fellow student at Columbia Theological Seminary and will graduate this year, and Clair, a 1997 Davidson graduate, is a CPA with a husband in residency at UNC. I'm

retired and enjoy tennis and our Presbyterian church."

## 1971

**LAUREL "LOLLY" CATCHING Anderson** of Oklahoma City OK works as director of development for the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. Last July, she saw **CAROLYN DAY '72** while attending a reception for the museum in Santa Fe

## 1972

**CAROLYN DAY** is manager and tabletop buyer for Cookwork's in Dallas TX where she resides. "After being based in Santa Fe NM for five years, I was transferred back to Dallas to head the store and manage my international buys from our distribution center"

**THALIA GOOCH Stoddard** of Aiken SC works as director of guidance at Wardlaw Academy in Johnston, and husband Robbie is a computer programmer for Aiken County. Robbie's two children: Deana, mother of 5-year-old Katherine, and Derek, who works at Georgia Southern University. "My son Stuart Early, 23, has been serving in Iraq with the Army since January 2004, and we hope he will return this Spring."

**A. "COURTNEY" KINCAID Wilder** of Jacksonville FL says that twins Burton and Paul graduated from Furman University in May 2004, and youngest son Brooks entered Furman this past fall

**KATHLEEN "KATHY" MADIGAN Muehlman** of Charleston WV is a high school humanities teacher. She reports that her son is a graduate of UVA School of Architecture and her daughter lives in Charleston SC and writes for a newspaper

**ELIZABETH "LIZ" SMITH** of North Potomac MD started a new business, Hilary Taylor bags, named after her two daughters. The designer handbags are sold by City Lights Jewelry and may be found at [www.citylightsjewelry.com](http://www.citylightsjewelry.com)

**LINDA VERNER Smith** of Lake Oswego OR volunteers for S.M.A.R.T., a reading program for underprivileged children in Oregon. She reports that daughter **LAUREN SMITH '04** lives and teaches in Staunton, and son Christopher has a son and is expecting another child in June

## 1973

**JULIE CLARK Reedy** continues her practice as a family law attorney in Dallas TX where she resides. "I am past chairman of Dallas Bar Association Juvenile Justice Committee and am serving on the State Bar of the Texas Child Abuse and Neglect Committee. Husband Frank continues with structural engineering and architectural technology firm, The Reedy Group. He is chairman of Lee Park and Arlington Hall Conservancy

Son Barrow is a junior at Trinity in San Antonio and will spend spring semester studying in London while working as an intern at Parliament"

**MARY HOTCHKISS Leavell** of Charlottesville VA: "Byrd and I have an empty nest – our youngest started UVA. I've been helping my elderly parents, managing some real estate properties, and enjoying ballroom dancing. I enjoyed an MBC get-together at the home of **JANE SHEFFIELD Maddux '72**"

**HELEN PLUMMER Lee** of Huntsville AL manages the Madison Public Library in Madison AL

## 1974

**ANN DAY** of Holden MA: "My partner of almost 25 years, Donna Enberg, and I were legally married at our church in Massachusetts in October. We were delighted to have among our wedding guests **EUGENIA "LEE" HANCOCK '73**, her daughter Hannah, and former MBC faculty member Lynne Rudder Baker and husband Tom."

**BARBARA MITCHELL Sample** of Fort Worth TX spends much of her time raising awareness for Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD) and the need for pain management programs for children who have RSD. "We have a lovely daughter Emily, 15, who has had RSD and she is a straight-A student and very talented. Our sunshine!"

## 1975

**LAURA JOHNSON Schultz** of McLean VA reports that daughter **KATHERINE "KATE" SCHULTZ Buff '01** is serving in the U.S. Marines. She married 1Lt Taylor Buff, who is stationed in Iraq, in Guam last July. Kate's twin sister **LAURA "BESS" SCHULTZ '01** is engaged to marry Paul Flick in October 2005

**TERRY RIEVE Senechal** of Oxnard CA "I'm married to Roland. No kids (two cats). We're both in our 25th year with Farmers Insurance and spend free time on our sailboat"

## 1976

**MARGARET "PEGGY" BRYSON Altman** of Fredericksburg VA: "It only took me 29 years to get back to Virginia! I'm working for Dons Buffett and Sunshine Lady Foundation. I went on a business trip to Brevard NC and ran into **ANN SHIELDS Stone '76**. Sons Heyward, 23, and Charlie, 20, are on their own – HA!"

**VICKIE REYNOLDS Akelman** of Barrington RI reports that first child Chris is a freshman at Brown University. Second son Matt is a high school junior. "Almost time to research the empty-nester lifestyle!"



**MARTHA MCKNIGHT Huey '54** of Hot Springs AR and her six children attended the July 2003 dedication of the new Law Library at County Court House in memory of her late husband Thomas Clinton Huey. Pictured (l to r): Thom, Liz, Frances, Martha, Bill, Martha Ann, and Mary Catherine.



1957 classmates (l to r) **JULIE RAND Brawner**, **NAN CANDLER Freed**, and **NANCY SWITZER Sowers** enjoyed a mini-reunion last year on Sutton Island MA.



**STUART CHAPMAN Cobb '65** (third from left) was installed as national president of The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in Washington DC.

# Memories: Then and Now

## Who was the first person you met at Mary Baldwin?

"The summer before I arrived at Mary Baldwin, a letter came telling me who my roommate would be. It was Mary Kay Schorn from Cape Charles. I asked my grandmother, who lived in Portsmouth, where Cape Charles was. She said it was close by. I got Mary's telephone number and we visited each other's homes. For the next four years of our college career, we were roommates. Even today, we maintain a close relationship."

Clair Carter Bell \*\* Class of 1976

Stacey Headley remembers that Natalie Austin was the first person she met during a college Meet and Greet in Staunton. "I wasn't expecting to make friends that night, but now, three years later, the person I sat with that night is still my friend."

Natalie Austin remembers meeting Stacey at the Meet and Greet, but she also remembers feeling melancholy after Stacey's mother said her daughter would be a commuter student. The summer progressed, school began, and Natalie would see Stacey only in passing. One day, Natalie's room suggested that Natalie go to lunch with Stacey. They did, and during Natalie's junior year she decided to live off-campus. Stacey became her roommate and she will also be Stacey's maid of honor in her upcoming wedding.

Stacey Headley \*\* Class of 2006  
and Natalie Austin \*\* Class of 2005

**MARY VALERIE "VAL" SUTTON Payne** of Waynesboro VA. "I received my master's in counseling from Eastern Mennonite University in June, and am working as an intensive in-home clinician for children and families at our local community services board. I was scared to go back to school at age 47, but I highly recommend it! Oldest daughter Jennifer is in Portland directing volunteers at a children's hospital. Middle daughter Kathleen is a customer care rep at Ntelos. Youngest daughter Margaret is a sophomore at Waynesboro High School"

**LUANNE WHITLOW Goodloe** of Staunton VA joined 1st Choice GMAC Real Estate. "I plan to take my sixth-grader to a Fighting Squirrels basketball game. She played in the basketball camp at MBC last summer."

## 1983

**ELIZABETH "LISA" HOUGH Hayes** of Raleigh NC remarried in September. She "Husband Jim Hayes works for North Carolina Environmental Health and son Jonathan Cole, 19, is a freshman at East Carolina University."

## 1977

**MARY HUNTER LEACH** of Kilauea HI met former MBC roommate **SHAWN KEYS Whitman '76** of Tulsa OK for lunch and a museum tour in Washington DC.

**MARY SUE MATTOX McAllister** of Staunton VA reports that son William Kenly McAllister Jr. graduated from Virginia Tech

**MELISSA RHODES McCue** of Gibsonia PA reports that daughter Molly is a junior at Aquinas Academy, hoping to continue playing field hockey in college; son Patrick is in eighth grade, and daughter Meredith is in sixth grade, playing violin and riding horses.

## ANNE MCCORMACK Jones

of Alexandria VA stays busy with twins Charlotte and Walter, 7, who are in first grade at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School in Alexandria.

## 1984

**KELLY GARCIA Confer** of Mount Pleasant SC. "My husband Ed and I relocated to the Charleston area. After a number of years working in public affairs on Capitol Hill and in various places in DC, I decided to be a stay-at-home mom. Samuel Ramon joined the family in October 2003, making us a family of five with Rachel, 10, and Natalie, 5. We are enjoying life in the Lowcountry and love being so close to the beach. Charleston is a beautiful place and I hope to connect with other MBC alumnae in the area."

## 1978

**ANNE KRUTULIS Knopp** of Staunton VA is working on her master's in special education.

## 1979

**BARBARA BARNES Wissbaum** of Charlotte NC owns White Tree Associates, LLC, a real estate investment company. Husband Mike is working at Coldwell Banker United Realtors.

**MARY LETHA WARREN Jelinek** of Topsfield MA "I've been living in the Boston area for 15 years. I work with my husband in the toy business and have two daughters ages 13 and 8. I enjoyed a visit from **NANCY TOKARZ '78** last fall."

## 1980

**MARY POLLARD Raith** of Winnetka IL. "My husband Peter and I have four boys: Carter, 9, Charlie, 7, Henry, 5, and Tommy, 3"

## 1982

**ANNA "MCKENZIE" GIBSON Koon** of Asheville NC "I'm doing the same thing I did last year, except I'm a year older and have more wrinkles! Raising four daughters and a husband is wonderful!"

**EDITH "EDIE" PARDOE Webb**. "I still live in Raleigh NC with husband Robert and sons Hunter and Oliver. I'm an assistant first grade teacher at The Raleigh School where both sons attend"

**SHEILA KENDRICK** and husband Daniel stay busy raising a 4-year-old son and 5-year-old daughter, as well as practicing medicine in their newly improved office in rural northern New England.

**MARY KATHERINE MOORMAN Lykowski** of Charlotte NC: "I got remarried to Jim Lykowski in March 2004 on the Outer Banks in Manteo NC."

## 1986

**CARRIE MURAD Rogers** of Lake Bluff IL: "I'm working part time at my daughter's school and really enjoy it! Katie is in the fifth grade."

**CAROLYN SMITH Bryant** and husband Del of New York City welcomed first child Thaddeus "Tad" Greene Bryant in April 2004. He weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz. "I'm having serious thoughts about giving Tad a sibling. I'm studying to take the LSAT. Some of my classmates might recall I worked as a law librarian during college at Staunton's Timberlake firm for the grandfather of my freshman roommate **BEVERLY MEARES Hicks '86**. I plan to attend school part time in my hometown of New York City"

## 1987

**MELISSA BAILEY Hogston** lives in Charlottesville VA with husband Poe and son Blake, 14. She is employed with Worldstrides as a marketing





1967 classmates (l to r) **ENNES LITRELL**, **KATHY MYERS Faust**, and **SUE MCDOWELL Whitlock** and their husbands got together at Sue's house last summer.



**LOLLY CATCHING Anderson '71** (l) and **CAROLYN DAY '72** (r) attended a reception for the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum last July at the home of Mrs. William Egoif (center) in Santa Fe NM.



MBC alumnae enjoying a get-together in October at K P Duty Gourmet Shoppe & Cafe in Bristol TN (l to r): **JERRY HILL Goodpasture '74**, **ANN WHITTEN Gillenwater '68**, **LINDA FORBES Riley '73** and **MUSSER WATKINS Warren '54**

assistant, helping to plan and organize educational travel for middle and high school students.

**SUZANNE "SUZY" HOOPER Gibson** lives in Charleston SC with husband Jamie and four children: Emily, 12, Bill, 9, Catherine, 6, and Chris, 4.

**SARAH "SALLY" OWENS Leman** of Santa Rosa, Costa Rica: "I've lived in Costa Rica for over three years. My husband Philip and I have two beautiful daughters: Claire, 3, and Meg, 2. Both are Costa Rican and American citizens, and are bilingual! We own a sportfishing business and have a great house with a fabulous view of the Pacific Ocean. We invite MBC friends to visit."

## 1988

**MARY "LISA" DERBY** of Alexandria VA was promoted to senior director at Construction Specifications Institute (CSI), a national association of about 16,500 specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors, building materials suppliers, and others involved in commercial and institutional building design and construction.



**MARY HUNTER LEACH '77** (l) of Kilauea HI with former MBC roommate **SHAWN KEYS Whitman '76** (r) of Tulsa OK last October met for lunch and a museum tour in Washington DC.

## 1989

**ELIZABETH "LIBBY" DURRILL Allen** of Deltaville VA: "I'm working at Williams and Sherrill doing interior design. I have a two-year-old daughter named Janie. We've been busy restoring a 1903 farmhouse in Deltaville and dividing our time between there and Richmond. Hope all is well!"

## 1990

**DANA BOTH** happily resides in Charlotte NC with daughters Julia, 5, and Kate and Sydney, 3.

**COURTNEY GEORGES Meares** "My husband Austin and I live in Columbia SC and had a baby boy Archer Beattie Meares, in April 2004. After teaching nine years as a special education teacher, I am enjoying staying at home!"

**ALLISON JAMES Hescok** and husband George of New Orleans LA welcomed daughter Sarah Montgomery Hescok last August.

**LORI SMITH Beck** teaches an education class at University of Texas at San Antonio where she became an adjunct faculty member last fall.

**M. "MELISSA" WOODS** of Charlotte NC was recognized in *The Charlotte Observer* in May 2004 as a seasoned personal chef, and celebrated 8 years in business as Menu By Melissa. "I am completing my first year as an adjunct professor at The Art Institute of Charlotte Culinary School where I'm teaching future culinarians safety and sanitation, supervision, career preparation, and food and beverage operations management. I'm enjoying a second term as president of the women's group at St. John's Episcopal and as director of audience development on the Friends of Music Board at Queens University"

## 1991

**MARTINAH DISAVINO Smith** of Colonial Heights married Bill Smith, VM '91, in 1996 "We have a wonderful son, Billy, 5. I'm fortunate to be a stay-at-home mom."

## 1992

**JULIE ADAMS Ranson** of Richmond VA: "My husband Todd and I welcomed daughter Molly Coddington Ranson in June 2003. I'm teaching elementary school art and enjoy summers off to travel and spend time with

Molly. **ALISON SHIPREK Kemper '92** and daughter Ellie visited us at Halloween. We plan to get together with **SARA ROBERTS Metersky '92** this spring."

**LORI ATKINS Meyers** of Hyattsville MD: "While teaching in Okinawa, Japan, I met my husband Dr. Timothy Meyers. We hope to move to Florida within the next year."

**KATHERINE "BEBE" BOLEN MacKellar** of Oklahoma City OK: "I am working as an interior designer, married to Bruce, and busy with life. I enjoy entertaining and taking care of our two dogs Boomer and Millie."

**DEBRA "DEBBIE" FEIGIN Sukin** and husband Steve of The Woodlands TX welcomed son Eli Sukin last September. Eli joined big brother Jacob, 3. She works as chief operating officer of St. Luke's Hospital.

**AMY GUFFEY Darby** and husband John of Staunton VA welcomed son John "Walker" Albert Darby in October. Walker weighed 11 lbs., 13 oz. and was 22 in. He joined big sister Whitney, 5.



Celebrating the wedding of **ELLEN BUTLER McDonald '93** to John McDonald III are (l to r): **ANU NAIDU '93**, **STEPHANIE MOORE Williams '87**, aunt of the bride **GAY GILMORE Butler '67**, the bride, aunt of the bride **DEE DEE BUTLER Sutton '80**, and **STACI BUFFORD Amonette '93**



Celebrating **LAUREN WARDER Gvillo's '97** wedding to Jeffrey Gvillo in October are MBC friends (l to r): **MEG GALPERIN Moss '97**, **MELISSA CARNEY Hemmingsen '97**, **CECE PRESSLY '00**, **NEISHA ELLIS Brown '97**, the bride, **ALEXIS HERBERSTER '97**, **CLARA ALICE THOMPSON '97**, **JENNIFER LANTZ '97** and **EMILY ALEXANDER Douglas '98**



# Memories: Then and Now

**What organizations or activities were you involved in at Mary Baldwin?**

"I was in the history club. In my history class, Mondays were current events days. That was during World War II, but I never had time to read the newspaper. Back then, I didn't have access to television either. Thinking on my feet, I remembered the Woodrow Wilson Rehab Center in Staunton. Some of the soldiers who were wounded in the war were sent to the Center. So, I told my history class about my volunteer work entertaining those soldiers and helping at the center. It was a lot of fun. And, my history teacher thought it was the greatest thing!"

*Betsy Williamson ↔ Class of 1948*

"I have participated in numerous clubs and extracurricular activities that have allowed me to meet new and exciting people. Originally, I came to Mary Baldwin to play field hockey. I did play and became co-captain of the team in my junior year. I also entered the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership at MBC when I was a freshman. Over the years I earned rank as a corporal, sergeant major of corps, and captain.

"As a member of Baldwin Program Board during my freshman year, I hosted mixers and various speakers on campus. I became special events chairwoman in my junior year. I also loved being on Honor Council. As a member of Omicron Delta Kappa [the national leadership honor society] and Psi Chi [the national honor society for psychology], I hosted a conference and participated in an annual 5K race. Knowing I will soon be an alumna, I also joined Student Alumnae/Relations Society (STARS).

"Being involved has made my experience at Mary Baldwin even more memorable."

*Ashley Kizler ↔ Class of 2005*



**TERESA KIBLER Brunton** of Powell OH "God blessed my family—husband Scott and son Tyler, 2—with a beautiful baby girl, Jillian Elizabeth was born in December. She weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz., and was 21 inches."

**TONYA MCDOWELL Link** of Alton VA: "Hello to everyone in the class of 1992. I am a social worker at Danville Regional Medical Center. I received the Super Hero Award for the hospital in 2004. It means a free trip in the near future. I have two daughters: Madeline, 8, a third grader at Sacred Heart School and Gillianne, 4, preschooler. I hope to see everyone at our 15th reunion."

**WENDY WOODEN Barze** of Birmingham AL: "Our third son, Edward Harris Barze, was born in September 2003, joining brothers Henry, 6, and Jay, 4, in our wild all-boy household! I'm continuing my cottage industry, Beehive, making hand-designed stationery and invitations. That, husband Brian, and my children keep me very busy!"

## 1993

**ANNE "ELLEN" BUTLER McDonald** and John Early McDonald III of Richmond VA married last May in the gardens at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden.

**PAMELA CASE Gustafson** and husband Vince welcomed first child Phillip "Cole" Gustafson last August. He weighed 3 lbs., 2.5 oz. and was 16.5 inches. "He was born over two months early and released from NICU in perfect health on September 30th." Pamela is a member of the Leadership Council of the Junior League of Pasadena and serves as the underwriting and patron chair for their annual gala fundraiser. They settled into a new home in Pasadena CA. She looks forward to welcoming old friends for New Year's in years to come.

**CATHERINE "CAT" EVANS** of New Hampshire and Washington DC corresponded with Gwen Walsh, professor emerita of physical education, regarding her 2004 travels to Morocco, Moscow, the Trans-Siberian, China, and Mongolia. She also enjoyed visiting Italy and the Eastern Mediterranean with her parents.

**STACEY KESLER Pugh** and husband Bill of Abingdon MD welcomed first child Madison Skylar Pugh last September. "She weighed in at 9 lbs. 7 oz. and is beautiful!"

## 1994

**MICHELE CARGAIN O'Connell**, husband Ryan and Evan, 2, of North Haven CT celebrated the birth of second son Matthew Terence last July. "He's beautiful!"

**JENNIFER EAVEY Oprison**: "I'm living in Leesburg VA with my husband Chris and twins Charlie and J.P. 5, and Emma, 2. Chris is running for Virginia State Delegate, 33rd District, in the 2005 Republican Primary. We are building a home in Lovettsville VA and plan to move this Spring."

**JENNIFER KLOPMAN Petramale** of Chester NY: "Dominick and I welcomed our first child Emily Lydia Petramale last June!"

**JENNIFER POLLITT Hill** of Odenton MD: "Last May, my husband and I welcomed our son Nathaniel Garrett Hill. We are excited to be first-time parents!"

## 1995

**ALLISON "ALLIE" COMPTON** moved to Chicago last summer to pursue a BFA in painting and sculpture at the Art Institute of Chicago.

**JILL PARKER Kissinger** of Raleigh NC graduated in May 2004 from Johnston Community College with an associate's degree in nursing. She received her RN license in July and is working as an RN in the operating room at Rex Healthcare.

**MICHELLE RADLOFF Lubbe** and husband Brian of Saginaw MI welcomed daughter Sophie Margaret last July.

**GRETA SCOTT Selden** and husband Stephen of Mechanicsville VA celebrated the birth of son William Fitzgerald Selden last July. William weighed 8 lbs. 14 oz. and was 21 in.

## 1996

**STEPHANIE BAKER Driscoll** of Lewisburg WV: "My husband Patrick and I celebrated our fifth wedding anniversary and bought a house. I work in the quality/risk management department at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center. No kids yet, but we have two adorable cats! I miss all my MBC classmates and look forward to our 10th reunion!"

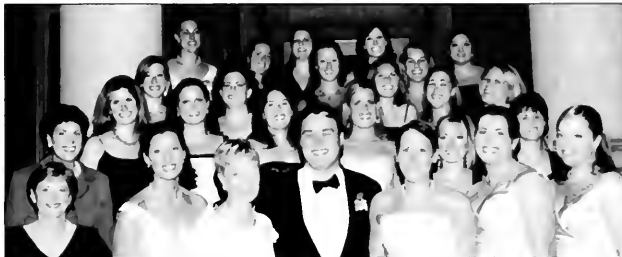
**MELANIE ENTSMINGER Falls** and husband Jason of Lexington VA announce the birth of daughter Madison Elizabeth last July. "She weighed 9 lbs. 1 oz. Being a mom is the most challenging, yet rewarding job ever!"

**MARY "CATHY" GOODBAR** of Danville VA is a first grade teacher with City Public Schools. "This is my second year of teaching after completing the teacher licensure program at Lynchburg College. I am a member of Kappa Delta Pi, education honor society."

**CHARITY LAMBERT Baker** of Mechanicsville VA: "My husband Adam and I welcomed daughter Lauren Mackenzie Baker last October. Son Nolan, 2, is a proud big brother. I love being able to be at home with our children."



**EMILY GOETZ Thompson '99** and Kenny Thompson were married in November. MBC alumnae at the reception (back row, l to r) **JENNIFER ROBB '98**, sister of the bride, **JENNIFER GOETZ Nystrom '95**, the bride, **CATHERINE BLACK Ogletree '99**, mother of the bride, **DANA GOETZ '05**, (front row, l to r) **COREY DUNN '99**, **BROOKE HITE Ginn '99** and **GRETA WINN Kidd '99**. Friends in attendance, but not pictured were **TOTTY EDWARDS '99** and **TINA THOMPSON Kincaid '93**



MBC alumnae pictured at the wedding of **GRETA WINN Kidd '99** to Thomas "T" Kidd last August in Richmond VA (back row, l to r) **JENNIFER NERING Onusconich '00**, **BROOKE HITE Ginn '99**, **ANNIE SAVAL '99**, **EMILY GOETZ Thompson '99**, **AIMEE FAVREAU '99**, (middle row, l to r) **GINI GATES Disanislao '84**, **SHELLEY KELSAY '98**, **JANE RAPIER Spence '98**, **AMY BOWDEN Muir '98**, **LIZ TILMAN '98**, **REBECCA STEVENS Taaff '99**, **TOTTY EDWARDS '99**, **LISA HELFERT Hart '99**, **SUMMER SAUNDERS Milligan '99**, **KRISTI BLYER '99**, **LAUREN DYSON '99**, **CATHERINE CUMMINGS Rennolds '99**, (front row, l to r) **CAROLE PAYNE Pilcher '73**, **SARAH WILSON Clepper '99**, **JUDY WEST Kidd '69**, the groom, the bride, **JENNIFER EDWARDS '99**, **CATHERINE BLACK Ogletree '99**, **MAKALIA GLEASON Records '98** and **NICOLE NAPIER '99**

## 1997

### MARY BROWN BROUGHTON

**Leachman** and husband Thomas of Ashland VA celebrated the birth of son Thomas "Manning" Weems Leachman last August. He weighed 9 lbs.

**ALISHA DAYE** of Fredericksburg VA welcomed second child Nikolas Thai Huynh in November.

**SABRA GEAR** of Boydton VA is enrolled in Old Dominion University's Teletechnet program to earn her MS in education with a focus in special education. Sabra is a full-time special education teacher at Rivermont High School in Chase City VA, and runs her own powersports business as a motorcycle rider coach.

**HONOR JOHNSON McCain** of Morgantown WV had her poetry published in the anthology *Wild Sweet Notes II: More Great Poetry from West Virginia*. Her poem "The Nursery" appeared in the June 2004 issue of *The Curbside Review*.

**SARA MORRIS** "I've had a busy year. While in San Diego on business in January 2004, I spent a few days with MBC friend **JULIE LUCERO '97**. We visited all the sights and made a day trip to Mexico. I also completed an MA in history at Mississippi State University where I worked as a librarian for five years. I moved to West Lafayette IN to work on a doctorate in history at Purdue University."

**SUSAN NICHOLS Wright** of Washington DC is working for Department of State at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad for a one-year tour. "I'm having a fabulous time meeting people from all over the world and helping the Iraqi people."

**JENNIFER THOMPSON Barker** and husband Jacob of New York City welcomed second son Seaborn Pengilly Barker in November.

**LAUREN WARDER Gvillo** of Duluth GA "In October, I married my boyfriend of six years, Jeffrey Paul Gvillo. We had a wonderful wedding and shared it with some close Mary Baldwin girlfriends. We bought our first house last Spring, so we've had a busy year! We're enjoying life as newlyweds."

## 1998

**ANGELA AMOS Rowe** and husband Bryce of Richmond VA welcomed daughter Lucy Elizabeth Rowe last August. Lucy joined older brother Peyton.

**ELIZABETH CALHOUN** of Nashville TN was named one of Tennessee's "30 Under 30" by *Business Tennessee* magazine. She was recognized for efforts indicating "a strong likelihood of future accomplishment." A Health Care Administration major at MBC, she earned a master's in hospital administration, and co-founded Vanderbilt Center for Better Health. The magazine story also stated "The center has become a magnet for top national health care leaders working to transform the delivery of health care, and Calhoun is on a leadership track that could propel her to a director post at the center in future years. Her extensive professional and community involvement includes serving on the board of Nashville's Leadership Health Care and working with Relay for Life."

**LATESHA HOOKER Adkins** of Richmond VA works as a counselor with Family Preservation Services. "I'm living in Richmond with Nick, my husband of four years, son Brandon, 4, and daughter Bntney, 2. My son started his first year at Victory Christian Academy. I can't believe I've been gone from MBC that long!"

**MELANIE JONES Flowers** of Bonney Lake WA is attending nursing school.

**LAURA MCCARTER Stone** and husband Hagan welcomed daughter Catherine Hagan Stone last August.

**REBECCA "BECKY" MORRISON** of Greenbelt MD wrote an article with two of her colleagues that was selected for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. "The paper, 'Using Vignettes in Cognitive Research on Establishment Surveys,' was published in the June 2004 issue of *The Journal of Official Statistics*."

**JANE RAPIER Spence** "My husband and I moved to northern Virginia in 2004, and purchased a home in Alexandria. I am a senior development associate with Hayes and Associates in McLean, and Jason is legislative assistant/counsel for Congressman Bob Ney of Ohio."

**AMY WOOLSTON Hinkle** of Glasgoh VA graduated from Shenandoah University in December, with an MS in education with a concentration in administration.

## 1999

**RAMONA DAVID** of Rockville MD is engaged to Francis Ivan de la Pena. The couple announced their engagement to family and friends on Thanksgiving Day.

**EMILY GOETZ Thompson** and Kenny Thompson of Greensboro NC married in November. Emily is associate director of annual giving at Elon University and Kenny is a business analyst with a computer software company in Greensboro.

**CATHERINE "DENISE" HAYES** of Clifton Forge VA: "I accepted a new position as service unit membership manager with the Girl Scouts of Virginia Skyline Council, in Roanoke."

## Meaningful Opportunities

Mary Baldwin College is an exciting place to work. We have an important mission, excellent leadership, and an ambitious yet attainable plan that puts MBC at the forefront of liberal education for the 21st century. We invite you to consider employment at Mary Baldwin. You will find the most current information on our Website at [www.mbc.edu/admin/employment](http://www.mbc.edu/admin/employment)

At press time, these were some of the openings that may be particularly interesting to qualified alumnae/i: executive director of alumnae/i and parent relations, assistant professor of education/ADP Program, major gifts officers, PC-Telecom repair technician, assistant director of Annual Giving.



# Memories: Then and Now

## Why did you choose to attend Mary Baldwin?

"I came to Mary Baldwin at the age of 10 to study music with Professor Schmidt, who was from Germany. He was a wonderful piano teacher, but it was a waste of my parents' money. Later, while I was working at Thomas Jefferson School teaching third and fourth grades, I had my teaching certificate, but I continued taking classes at Mary Baldwin to earn more credits. I continued working on my degree through the Depression and finished my degree around 1950."

Mary Artis Dennis ⇨ *Class of 1926*



"I was looking for a women's college because of the culture I am from. The only way I could live away from my family was to attend an all-women's college. I began searching for colleges on the Internet and came across Mary Baldwin. I applied here with the intent that I would stay for one semester and transfer to another school. I ended up staying because I like it here. I have become involved in organizations such as Migrant Tutor Program. I have learned to manage my time better, and having friends makes Mary Baldwin a more interesting place."

Azada Hassani ⇨ *Class of 2008*



*Do you have memories you would like to share?  
If so, we'd love to hear them and  
possibly include them in upcoming issues!  
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Staunton, VA 24401*

**CHANDA HOFFMAN Poole** and husband Jason of Edinburg VA celebrated the birth of second child Nathan Charles Poole last July. Nathan's big sister Emily, 2, "really loves him."

**STEPHANIE LAWLEY** of Kingstowne VA passed the July 2004 Virginia Bar Exam and is an associate practicing patent law for a Washington DC firm

**JENNIFER WHITE Vernon** of Sterling VA: "I've had a couple of intense and busy years. I married David Howard Vernon in July 2003, and we had our first child, Lucas Riley Vernon last August. We're doing great and really enjoying the new addition to our family."

**GRETA WINN Kidd** and Thomas Pascal "T" Kidd III of Richmond VA married last August at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

## 2000

**KERRI BURTON** of Chester VA works as a real estate agent with Long & Foster in Chesterfield

**DONNA-MARIE CACCIO Homme** married Jason Homme last October in Forked River NJ where they reside. Classmates **JAMIE BAER** and **ELIZABETH "HOPE" MARSHALL Boccella** attended the wedding

**JAMIE CROSS** of Belle Mead NJ: "After my initial four-year commitment as a surface warfare officer, I resigned my commission in the U.S. Navy in June 2004. I took some time off to volunteer on an archaeological dig, then worked in my parents' businesses as a project manager. I have a new career as a pharmaceutical materials planner for Johnson and Johnson/Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceuticals."

**SHOLEH EHDAIVAND** and husband Marcus Kornegay announce the birth of daughter Leyla Marie Kornegay last May in Durham NC.

**MARY "MAGGIE" HORTON Cole**: "Justin and I moved from Baumholder, Germany to Sierra Vista AZ. We will be here until spring when we'll move again. Our son Miles turned 3 in March."

**MARY CATHERINE HUSTON Mousourakis** and John Steven Mousourakis married last May at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church with **MERISSA FIDDYMENT-Mule '00**, **ELIZABETH "BETH" MCELHINNY '01** and Dr. Robert Allen in attendance. After honeymooning in Crete, Greece, they returned home to Guyton GA where Mary Catherine is marketing director for Sanctuary Cove at St. Andrews Sound and Steve is president of Big House Graphix.

**COURTNEY MARTIN Jackson** and husband Scott of Mechanicsville VA welcomed son William Byrd Jackson in December. He was welcomed by big sister Madeline Dey, 2. **EMILY DIXON Girardier '02** is Will's godmother

**CRYSTAL NEWCOMBE Nosal** of Fredericksburg VA is a police officer with Arlington County Police Department. In November, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution awarded her the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal in recognition of outstanding achievement and dedication to the maintenance of law and order specifically related to an incident where Officer Nosal drove her police cruiser into a runaway vehicle to prevent it from harming police officers and pedestrians in the immediate area.

**KATHERINE "KATIE" WEST Sims** and husband Aaron of Pensacola FL welcomed daughter Amelia Ryan Sims last October.

**ALICIA YOUNG**: "I started a media development company, The Blue Sky Studio, with a friend of mine and relocated to Los Angeles CA. We specialize in television programming and documentaries and are pitching a number of shows to various networks. We did a documentary on the 2005 Rose Parade."

**AMANDA YOUNG McCray** of Staunton VA received her pre-K through sixth grade teaching licensure from MBC's post graduate teacher licensure program while teaching a special education high needs class at Stuarts Draft Elementary School. "I am teaching second grade regular education at the same school. I remain close friends with **PATRICIA "TRICIA" YEAGER '00** and **ASHLEY GORDON Bradley '00**. Trish teaches sixth grade science at Stewart Middle School in Fort Defiance VA, and bought a home in Staunton a few blocks from my house! Ashley married in July 2002 and is in Waynesboro and is self-employed."

## 2001

**ASHLEY ADAMS Miller**: "In March 2004 my husband Joe and I moved to Suffolk VA after Joe finished his time in the Navy. Last July, we welcomed first child Adam Kirwan. He has brought such joy to our lives!"

**STARLING CHABTREE Nowell** of Nashville TN: "Brad and I settled into our new home last fall and enjoyed a trip to Florida in February. My bank merged with Sun Trust and everyone has been busy learning new programs and growing our business. Warm wishes to all my MBC sisters! I love and miss everyone."

**NORAH FICK Pence** of Fredericksburg VA married Adam Pence last June. "We honeymooned in Jamaica and moved into our new house last summer. I started a job with the family business, J F Fick, Inc."

**KERRIE LEIGHTON Bryant**: "In June 2001, I married Thomas Bryant. We are live in Williamsburg VA. I've been teaching fourth grade at Williamsburg Christian Academy for two years, and in May 2004, graduated from MBC's MAT program. I enjoy married life, teaching, and playing with my chocolate lab, Baxter! I'm looking forward to our class

reunion and catching up with my Mary Baldwin friends!"

**ELIZABETH "BETH" MCELHINNY** of Chapel Hill NC completed her master's of social work at UNC Chapel Hill in May 2004, and is employed as a clinical social worker in the UNC Chapel Hill Counseling and Psychological Service Center.

**KIM MOREHEAD** of Orlando FL "I'm back with Disney as a photographer for their PhotoPass program. I started a freelance graphic design business this year!"

**KELLY REESE** "I moved to Austin TX to study at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, earning a master's in divinity. At the conclusion of seminary, I will be ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)."

**CASSANDRA "CASSIE" SCOTT** West of Conroe TX married Carey West last August in Vienna VA. "I am employed by Benchmark Hospitality and Carey works for the fire department. I want to give a huge thanks to **SUNITA JAIN '02** and **JESSICA "JESSI" HEITZENRATER Collins '01** for attending our wedding. Congratulations to Jessi for an amazing wedding. You and B.J. are perfect for each other!"


**REBECCA WORRELL** Pega of Midlothian VA: "Greetings to all! Chris and I moved into a new house and I started regular coursework towards my MBA. I am with Media General, Inc., in the interactive media division. I hope all my former classmates are doing well and having a wonderful 2005!"

## 2002

**EMILY ALLEN Jancristoforo** "I married Mike Jancristoforo last October at Trinity United Methodist Church in Richmond VA. **MEREDITH NORRIS '03** was a bridesmaid and other MBC friends in attendance were **ERIN WELCH '02**, **AMBER DOEHLER '02**, **MEGAN KLECKNER Moore '03**, and **KATHERINE "KATIE" KOONTZ '02** We



**CRYSTAL NEWCOMBE** Nosal '00 receiving the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal from The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in recognition of her outstanding achievement and dedication to the maintenance of law and order.



# Marriages

**ELIZABETH "LISA" HOUGH '83** to Jim Hayes  
September 11, 2004

**MARY KATHERINE MOORMAN '84** to Jim Lykowski  
March 17, 2004

**ANNE "ELLEN" BUTLER '93** to John Early McDonald III  
May 29, 2004

**LAUREN WARDER '97** to Jeffrey Paul Gvillo  
October 9, 2004

**EMILY GOETZ '99** to Kenny Thompson  
November 20, 2004

**GRETA WINN '99** to Thomas Pascal "T." Kidd III  
August 28, 2004

**DONNA-MARIE CIACCIO '00** to Jason R. Homme  
October 9, 2004

**MARY CATHERINE HUSTON '00** to John Steven Mousourakis  
May 15, 2004

**NORAH FICK '01** to Adam Pence  
June 19, 2004

**CASSANDRA "CASSIE" SCOTT '01** to Carey West  
August 7, 2004

**EMILY ALLEN '02** to Mike Jancristoforo  
October 16, 2004

**AYESHA MUHAMMAD '02** to Jason L. Hawkins  
November 13, 2004

**TAMMY MCDANIEL '03** to Thomas Baldwin  
November 6, 2004

**THERESA "TERRY" MEESE '03** to Timothy Landow  
July 31, 2004

**JENIECE LEWIS '04** to Emmet Williams  
July 20, 2004

bought a house in Richmond. I'm in my second year of working for PartnerMD, LLC, a medical practice, putting my health care administration knowledge into practice. I look forward to seeing everyone at our reunion!"

**ANN BARTON** of Falls Church VA. "I bought my very first home in June 2004"

**CHINYELU "CHI CHI" CHIEMELU Tyler** and husband Chaz of Smithfield NJ welcomed baby boy Avon Aristotile Tyler in November. He weighed 6 lbs.

**MALISSA DEWINDT** of Roanoke VA: "In November, I began working at the West End Center for Youth in Roanoke as a transition coordinator, working with eighth- through 12th-grade students to create goals for after high school. I'm excited to have this opportunity and feel like a part of a greater whole!"



**NORAH FICK Pence '01** married Adam Pence last July. Celebrating the wedding are MBC friends (back row, l to r): **BLAIRE HOWLE '01**, **JENNY RINACA Huddins '02**, **CASEY CROFTON '01**, **ANNE SCHAECH '01**, **JENNY BOYKIN '01**, **LISA SUBERROC '01**, (front row, l to r) **JENNIFER MCGEE '01**, the bride, and **CARY CALL '02**

**CANDICE "CANDI" EBERHARD** Clayton of Stuarts Draft VA married Chad Clayton in April 2002, and works at Augusta Medical Center as a medical social worker on the psychiatric unit. Her specialty is in geriatrics.

**EMILIE GLOVER** of Richmond VA is in her third year of pharmacy school at VCU/MCV in Richmond. "I got engaged last summer and am planning a wedding in May 2006, after graduation. Hope all is well with everyone and hope to see you at Homecoming 2007."

**ANNA HENLEY** graduated with her MS in environmental studies in May 2004 and moved to Wauwatosa WI. "I'm now participating in the Sheltersmart Internship Program while working with Wisconsin Humane Society. I hope everyone is well. I miss you all!"

**AYESHA MUHAMMAD** Hawkins of Arlington TX married Jason Hawkins in November. **"DARA MOORE '02"** was one of my bridesmaids."

**DELAINE PERRY** of Vienna VA. "I became engaged to Alex Kaplan, UVA Class of 2001 last. We are living and working in northern Virginia and the wedding is set for October 15, 2005, in Gloucester VA. I work for Long & Foster Realtors as a real estate agent and love it!"

**MEREDITH TOWNSEND** of Richmond VA: "I've taken a new position as sole graphic designer for John Tyler Community College in Midlothian VA. I am thrilled that my newest work will benefit higher education - memories of MBC are fond and frequent while working with the students here. I am happy to announce my engagement to Robert Carrington of Richmond. A May 2005 wedding is planned"

**DANA WOODS Allen** of Newport News VA is in her third year of teaching fourth grade



Mary Baldwin friends (l to r): **MEREDITH NORRIS '03**, **ERIN WELCH '02**, **AMBER DOEHLER '02**, **MEGAN KLECKNER Moore '03**, bride **EMILY ALLEN Jancristoforo '03**, and **KATIE KOONTZ '02** celebrated Emily's marriage to Mike Jancristoforo last October.

## 2003

**KATHERINE "KASEY" CULLEN:** "I'm living in Cumberland MD and working as a youth minister. In October, I visited **KELLEY CLEMENS McElroy '03** in Wurzburg, Germany.

**LEANN HINTON** moved to Charlottesville VA in February 2004 and shares an apartment with classmate **BETSY MCLEOD**. LeAnn is office manager of a company that buys and sells electrical components worldwide, and she helps manage a restaurant. She is "looking for and dreaming of Mr. Right" while staying connected with old friends and making new ones.

**BARBARA LEWIS** of Vienna VA is an assistant kindergarten teacher at Louise Archer Elementary School in Fairfax County. "Those little ones sure keep us busy but they're lots of fun."

**TAMMY MCDANIEL Baldwin** of Flint Hill VA married Thomas Baldwin in November at VMI.

**ANNE MEACHAM** of Fort Pierce FL: "I moved to Florida during the worst hurricane season the state has ever seen, but I'm enjoying it. I work for the local community college as departmental stage manager, stage managing five shows at a time. During summer, I work for Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana as a program coordinator. I miss everyone!"

**MEREDITH NORRIS** "I was promoted with Ntlos and moved to Waynesboro VA last summer. I love my new job and am happy to be back in this part of Virginia"

**JAWANDA SMITH** of Richmond VA hopes all is well with the class of 2003. "I've been blessed with a continuing connection with Mary Baldwin through volunteer work with the Office of African American and Multicultural Affairs. I'm working as a rehabilitation counselor while pursuing my master's in psychology. May God continue to watch over all of you and your families."

**HEIDI ZIMMERMAN** of Belton TX attends graduate school at Baylor University, working towards her master's in social work.

## 2004

**JORDAN ARMSTRONG** "I am living and working in Cincinnati OH as a North American controls analyst for Proctor & Gamble. I travel about 30 percent of the time to places like Belgium, France, and Costa Rica!"

**KELLY BAUMGARTNER** is serving as a U.S. Army platoon leader for a medical logistics platoon in Waldmohr, Germany.

**ALIKA CODISPOTI** of Washington DC is associate producer for *The Contrary*, the country's first news analysis series featuring all women panelists, which is broadcast on PBS.

**SARAH HATFIELD** of The Woodlands TX works at Lexicon Genetics, Inc. as a research assistant with mice. "Not married, no children, not too exciting!"

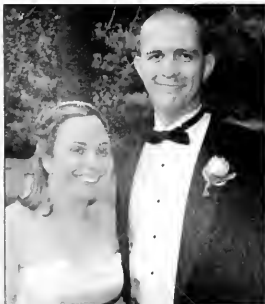
**JENIECE LEWIS Williams** of Temple AZ is pursuing her PhD in sociology at Baylor University. Last July, she married high school sweetheart Emmet Williams.

**NICOLE LITTLEJOHN** of Lompoc CA is serving with the United States Air Force. "I miss the class of 2004. We need to get back together real soon. This 'real life' stuff is okay, but nothing like being at a 10 p.m.-2:00 a.m. mixer with your girls."



## Births

**CAROLYN SMITH** Bryant '86 and Del: a son, Thaddeus "Tad" Greene, April 18, 2004  
**COURTNEY GEORGES** Meares '90 and Austin: a son, Archer Beattie, April 7, 2004  
**ALLISON JAMES** Hescock '90 and George: a daughter, Sarah Montgomery, August 16, 2004  
**JULIE ADAMS** Ranson '92 and Todd: a daughter, Molly Coddington, June 4, 2003  
**DEBRA "DEBBIE"** FEIGIN Sukin '92 and Steve: a son, Eli, September 30, 2004  
**AMY GUFFEY** Darby '92 and John: a son, John "Walker" Albert, October 16, 2004  
**TERESA KIBLER** Brunton '92 and Scott: a daughter, Jillian Elizabeth, December 10, 2004  
**WENDY WOODEN** Barze '92 and Brian: a son, Edward Harris, September 4, 2003  
**PAMELA CASE** Gustafson '93 and Vince: a son, Phillip "Cole," August 12, 2004  
**STACEY KESLER** Pugh '93 and Bill: a daughter, Madison Skylar, September 16, 2004  
**MICHELE CARGAIN** O'Connell '94 and Ryan: a son, Matthew Terence, July 23, 2004  
**JENNIFER KLOPMAN** Petramale '94 and Dominick: a daughter, Emily Lydia, June 24, 2004  
**JENNIFER POLLITT** Hill '94 and Delaine: a son, Nathaniel Garrett, May 19, 2004  
**MICHELLE RADLOFF** Lubbe '95 and Brian: a daughter, Sophie Margaret, July 13, 2004  
**GRETA SCOTT** Selden '95 and Stephen: a son, William Fitzgerald, July 28, 2004  
**MELANIE ENTSMINGER** Falls '96 and Jason: a daughter, Madison Elizabeth, July 28, 2004  
**CHARITY LAMBERT** Baker '96 and Adam: a daughter, Lauren Mackenzie, October 24, 2004  
**MARY BROWN BROUGHTON** Leachman '97 and Thomas: a son, Thomas "Manning" Weems, August 26, 2004  
**ALISHA DAYE** '97: a son, Nikolas Thai Huynh, November 11, 2003  
**JENNIFER THOMPSON** Barker '97 and Jacob: a son, Seaborn Pengilly, November 19, 2004  
**ANGELA AMOS** Rowe '98 and Bryce: a daughter, Lucy Elizabeth, August 26, 2004  
**LAURA MCCARTER** Stone '98 and Hagan: a daughter, Catherine Hagan, August 13, 2004  
**CHANDA HOFFMAN** Poole '99 and Jason: a son, Nathan Charles, July 1, 2004  
**JENNIFER WHITE** Vernon '99 and David: a son, Lucas Riley, August 22, 2004  
**SHOLEH EHDAIVAND** '00 and Marcus: a daughter, Leyla Marie, May 10, 2004  
**COURTNEY MARTIN** Jackson '00 and Scott: a son, William Byrd, December 2, 2004  
**KATHERINE "KATIE"** WEST Sims '00 and Aaron: a daughter, Amelia Ryan, October 5, 2004  
**ASHLEY ADAMS** Miller '01 and Joe: a son, Adam Kirwan, July 23, 2004  
**CHINYELU "CHI-CHI"** CHIEMELU Tyler '02 and Chaz: a son, Avon Aristotle, November 8, 2004



All smiles on their wedding day are **CASSIE SCOTT West '01** and husband Carey West. The couple wed last August in Vienna VA.



**KATIE KOONTZ '02** (l) and **NELLY SEITZ '03** (r) celebrate New Year's Eve in Harrisburg PA.



**AYESHA MUHAMMAD** Hawkins '02 of Arlington TX married Jason Hawkins in November. Celebrating are bridesmaids (l to r): Pchernaia Muhammad, Joyce Hawkins, tMBC alumna **DARA MOORE '02**, flower girl Rhaynia Rockhold, the bride, Kristi Rockhold, Jennifer Hawkins, and Maraina Britton.

**CATRINA METTAM** of Hood River OR "I'm the office manager at Cascade Hearing Centers and working with my church's youth group. I've been on two mission trips to Europe and Brazil"

**AMANDA PACKETT Settle** and husband Jason of Brightwood VA are parents of daughter Elizabeth Oakley Settle, 2. Amanda works as a sales associate at Blue Ridge Growers, a wholesale greenhouse located just outside of Culpeper VA

## ADP

### 1984

**JUDITH BAUERLE** of Charlottesville VA works as a health educator at University of Virginia Hospital in the Under Fives Center and Clinic of Psychiatric Medicine. She teaches incarcerated patients to connect with their children through books

### 1992

**SHERRY YOST** of Dogue VA is a high school art teacher. "After 9/11, I had my students create sculptures depicting their views of the tragedy. I submitted a photo-portfolio of the work to President Bush through a friend, and as a result, the sculptures will be on permanent display in President Bush's Library in Texas. Photos of the sculptures were displayed

at the Pentagon and in Hart Senate Office Building in Washington DC. The display is being stored in the White House archives"

### 1993

**ESTHER HANKS** of Bassett VA works in the corporate office IT department of Bassett Furniture. "I'm also a CNA and work weekends at Tender Loving Care. I care for eight Alzheimer's patients and love it. I'm into belly dancing and am a yoga enthusiast. My handsome grandson Jacob is 7 going on 21. He resides in Lakeline OH, and whenever he visits me, he travels with two pets - a hamster named Buster and a cat named Pico. What a combination! My friend **MELISSA "MISSY" GLOVER Berry '89** and I look forward to meeting in Roanoke for lunch."

### 1994

**DUSTIN WELLS** is author of *The Cappuccino Cowboy*, a novel published by Last Gasp Press and currently available on their Web site. He teaches writing at New College of California in San Francisco, where he resides

### 1995

**DONNA BALLARD** of Abingdon MD works for Marine Corps Intelligence Activity (MCIA) in Washington DC. "In

October, I was accepted into the Joint Military Intelligence College to complete my studies and earn a master's of science in strategic intelligence (MSSI). In November, I finished the 40-week Denial and Deception Analyst Studies Program, the academic portion of a master's-level certificate program. I am now working on my thesis to complete it."

**JUDY MOORE** of Wyllesburg VA continues to work in public relations and as a tour guide for Central High Museum at Charlotte Court House VA while writing articles for several local newspapers, substitute teaching, and volunteering at Wyllesburg Community Library. Her poem *Styler* was published in the Famous Poets Society's anthology *Our 100 Most Famous Poets: The Brief Chronicles of Our Time*

**MERRY WYATT Hankel** of Williamsburg VA has a new grandson. She reports that daughter Teresa Arvik and her husband Darrell of Bloomington IL adopted Gary, 9, in April 2004. Merry is also grandmother to Samuel, 8

### 1997

**SANDRA SMITH** of Richmond VA was listed as one of Richmond's "Top 40 Under 40" in a 2000 edition of *Style Magazine*. Sandra is also a graduate of Leadership Metro Richmond, class of 2003

## Join Us Online!

This issue of the Mary Baldwin College Magazine offers numbers of opportunities to interact with us online. We also invite you to communicate with us about this issue - your thoughts and comments are most welcome. An index of those sites listed in this magazine:

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**Admissions (new Website)**  
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- Number for Annual Giving Goal — \$1.2 million
- Number for Annual Giving Participation Goal — 27% (let's do 100%!)
  - Number of Annual Giving dollars received as of 5/10/05 — \$590,630
  - Number of Annual Giving givers as of 5/10/05 — 19%
  - Number of all donors listed in the beautiful Dancer Report for all gifts in 2003-2004 — 3,450
  - Number for college costs covered by tuition — only 52%
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  - Number to call to make your gift — 540-887-7012





## 1998

**LISA BOWMAN** of Rocky Mount VA was on the front page of *The Roanoke Times* in October for receiving a \$25,000 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award given by the Virginia Department of Education. Lisa teaches fourth grade in Franklin County VA.

## 2003

**THERESA "TERRY" MEESE** Landow of Schuyler VA married Timothy Landow last July at Albemarle County Courthouse followed by a reception at Michie Tavern. Terry works in The Learning Center at Piedmont Community College.

## 2004

**STEPHANIE BENNETT Adamson** of Cedar City UT teaches theatre at Lehi Junior High School. "It's a great way for me to begin teaching because it has a full theatre program but is not a high school. My ninth graders will attend a Shakespearean competition here in Cedar City where a big festival is held every year."

## MAT

## 1994

**ANDREW "ANDY" JOHNSON** of Crozet VA received the Virginia Association for Gifted (VAG) 2004 Teacher of the Year Award for Region V.

## 2003

**CARMEN ROBERTSON** of Roanoke VA started a new job as director of Happy Times Child Care Center. She is engaged to marry Chris Jones July 2, 2005.



## Deaths

MARY "HELEN" BAYLOR McNeer '26	December 25, 2004
LOUISE BARLOW Gibson '30	October 3, 2004
NANCY JOHNSON Hurt '30	December 26, 2004
VIRGINIA ROBINS Mills '32	September 16, 2004
VIRGINIA "GINGER" BRAND Francis '33	November 3, 2004
MARY LOU MOFFITT Knorr '38	December 27, 2004
"ALICE BORDEN" MOORE Sisson '38	July 31, 2004
BARBARA PAYNE Webster '40	May 22, 2004
ANNE EMORY Crane '44	March 21, 2004
FRANCES GLASS Blair '46	April 28, 2004
BETTY JEAN "B.J." TOOHEY Craig '46	October 3, 2004
BETSY FORREST Dunwoody '47	November 11, 2004
BARBARA MURRAY Perrin '48	November 16, 2004
PEGGY REID Durden '49	November 17, 2004
JAN PEGUES Patterson '50	August 9, 2004
SARAH BAYLOR Tunstall '52	July 20, 2004
PATRICIA GWYNN Taft '58	September 13, 2004
MARGARET "MARGOT" TEAGUE Eaton '58	July 4, 2004
MEREDITH DUNBAR Carlson '60	August 10, 2004
CYNTHIA FREEMAN Branscome '64	September 4, 2004
ROBERTA "ROBBIE" LONG Campbell '66	November 14, 2004
SALLIE BARRE James '68	December 1, 2004
LYDA HOLT Samuel '69	July 16, 2004
ELLEN DALLIS '71	September 6, 2004
ANNE-REID JENNY Bradshaw '71	December 10, 2004
ELIZABETH LIZ" KENNEDY Saunders '79	August 11, 2004
MANAMI SUZUKI '88	December 25, 2004
MARVIN SIMMONS '90	Date Unknown
JAMIE STANFILL '97	September 15, 2004



# Save the Date: You'll Be Glad You Did!

## May 15

Remember when you, your daughter or your mother graduated? How about when your brother, father or husband graduated from the Adult Degree Program? Join us to salute this year's graduates and enjoy our honored speaker Sheila Crump Johnson, co-founder of Black Entertainment Television – and America's first black female billionaire. See Commencement information at [www.mbc.edu/commencement](http://www.mbc.edu/commencement)

## June 26-July 1

For students in our Adult Degree Program, the option to live on campus for a week and take an intensive week-long class in subjects ranging from Field Biology to Math for Prospective Teachers. Alumnae/i are also encouraged to enroll as special students. Contact the Staunton ADP Office at [adp@mbc.edu](mailto:adp@mbc.edu) or call 540-887-7003 for more info!

## August 29

Classes begin for undergraduate residential students. See our new Admissions site online: [www.admissions.mbc.edu](http://www.admissions.mbc.edu)

## October 5

Join us for a tradition that once revolved around the college's apple orchard – and now is a carnival. If you can't be in Staunton, celebrate where you are with other alumnae/i in your area. Wear your red and green and add an apple dish to every meal.

## Founders Day October 7

We invite you to Mary Baldwin to honor our founders Mary Julia Baldwin and Rufus Bailey. Seniors look forward to the day to wear their caps and gowns for the first time! The special speaker is always one of our most prestigious alumnae.





  
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